



**GREEN SPACE/PARK COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: October 7, 2020

IN ATTENDANCE:

George Carpenter Pat Hogan Doug Dresie Anne Campbell Carson Henninger
Randy Page Darlene Page Loretta Rokey Lori Wilson

NOTE: MEETING WAS CONDUCTED UTILIZING ZOOM VIDEOCONFERENCING IN ORDER TO KEEP ATTENDEES SAFE AND COMPLY WITH COVID-19 GUIDELINES.

Park Improvements	
1.1	<p>Learning Center Project Update (State Capital Funding Grant): Project is nearing completion. Items such as gutters, stone column bases, electrical, ballfield restoration, and grass seed are yet to complete.</p> <p>Loretta is working on a ribbon cutting ceremony.</p>
1.2	<p>Safety Improvements Project Update (OKI Grant): The project is complete. We are waiting to hear if there are funds left for some History Trail signage. George has provided cost information. Loretta stated that we are waiting on a response for Doug Royer with Clermont County Engineers.</p>
1.3	<p>History Trail:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • George stated that the design and content for two signs are complete. • Lori is working on the 1937 Flood sign. • “Early Settlements” content is about 70% complete. • George indicated that Mark Cann may have information on streetcar lines. • George, Randy, and Doug are to meet 10/8/2020, at 6:30pm, to review potential placement of History Trail signs.

Dog Park Updates	
2.1	<p>Fence RFP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No bids were received for fencing and we have not received feedback. Couch’s has not re-bid in response to the RFP. • Laura Waczovszky has given Lori additional fence company names to reach out to; although Lori has not received responses back. • We will seek feedback regarding the lack of response or interest. We are not sure if there are material availability issues due to COVID.
2.2	<p>Lori stated that John Koehler wants to do the concrete work before Winter. Lori is to check with KEP on the installation of the water line prior to the concrete work.</p>

Other Business	
3.1	<p>Detective Bill Brewer Memorial: Randy and George met with Chief Bachman. They discussed locating a plaza near the Norway spruce trees near the bridge. Chief Bachman would like to have a statue and has reached out to the sculptor who did the Red’s statues. Chief Bachman should have more information in a couple of weeks.</p>

3.2	<p>Park Shelter Rules/Rentals: Loretta is to review with Chief Wright. Doug is to send the latest version to Loretta.</p>
3.3	<p>Boy Scout Projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pat stated that there is no new progress on existing projects. • There is a new Boy Scout Troop interested in project opportunities. Pat needs some new ideas for projects. One suggestion was additional hiking trail benches. Doug is to reach out to Kuehn Fredrick and Don Kelly regarding work at Pierce Preserve & Trails.
3.4	<p>Ballfield Fencing Next Steps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group needs to consider if there will be any reconfiguration. • Randy is to reach out to Chris Clingman with Clermont County Parks on timing of next round of park grants.
3.5	<p>Tree Initiatives/Programs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Randy met with the State Arborist. He has sent of list of trees to Laura. Depending on size, prices would range from \$99 to \$700. One option would be for the individual to make a donation and the Township plant the tree. • Randy also learned of guidelines on becoming a Level 1 Arboretum. There needs to be a level of volunteer staff, and have a minimum of 25 labeled trees. We already have some trees labeled from Andrew Geers scout project a couple of years ago.
3.6	<p>Park Improvement Needs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Groh Park playground equipment needs to be replaced. • Groh Park basketball court needs to be sealed. The Service Department can seal it. John Koehler to check with Hauck on materials. • Arrowhead Playground equipment needs to be replaced. • The old paths at the main Locust Corner Park need to be repaved. • There are landscaping needs at the new Learning Center.

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, November 4, 2020, 6:30pm

Minutes prepared by: Doug Dresie