



**GREEN SPACE/PARK COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** November 6, 2019

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

**Darlene Page  
Lori Wilson  
Loretta Rokey**

**Randy Page  
Pat Hogan  
Greg Ernst**

**Doug Dresie  
Dan Newyear**

**George Carpenter  
Mark Cann**

<b>Park Improvements</b>	
1.1	Learning Center Planning: The engineer's estimate is close to budget. They are to provide the detail on Friday, 11/8/19. The bid documents may potentially be complete by 11/8/19. The Township is to advertise for bids when the documents are ready.
1.2	Clermont County Park Grant Update: Pierce Township was awarded the grant for resurfacing the tennis and basketball courts. The Dog Park funding did not get awarded. The next Clermont County Park Grant opportunity will be in September of 2020.
1.3	Tree Planting Program: Many thanks to Greg Ernst for donating the first two trees! The Service Department and the Page's assisted in the planting effort. Greg mentioned that the new trees may need to be staked to protect from high wind. This will be done on the work day on 11/16/19. Randy is to check with the Service Department to see if the mowing season is complete.

<b>Dog Park Updates</b>	
2.1	Great Pupkin Parade Results: Lori thanked all for the help in making this such a great event. It was well attended and netted \$1,897 for the Dog Park. To date, \$9,777 has been raised toward the \$19,000 goal. October 11, 2020 has been set for the next Great Pupkin Parade.
2.2	Holiday Pet Photo Fundraiser: The group is struggling finding a suitable venue for the event. Potential vacant spaces are the Grammas shopping center near Hamlet, vacant space near Kemba Credit Union, or vacant space near Petco. Greg Matulionis advised that the space needs to accommodate a gathering area for waiting customers, as well as a 15x20 space to set up for the photographs. All agreed that if we can't find a venue in the next week, we need to postpone until next year.

<b>Park Work Days</b>	
3.1	Fall Work Day Planning: Dan reported that there have been 13 UC students register for the Work Day on November 16. There will also be volunteers from the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Master gardeners club. Work areas need to be identified. Randy will get mulch to spruce up the beds.
3.2	Trail at Nature Park: Randy and Darlene walked the trail with Jim Meyers and reviewed potential repair options in preparation to meet with the Boy Scout who will be doing the work for his Eagle Scout project.

3.3	Spring Mulching: Randy mentioned potentially using volunteers to do the spring mulching. Potential spring work day of March 28, 2020 was discussed. The group needs to check with John Koehler to see if Sullivans isn't already under contract for the work.
3.4	History Trail: George is continuing to research sign examples with Greg Roberts in New Richmond. Input is needed for the signs. Consideration needs to be made regarding what is an appropriate symbol for Pierce Township (i.e. the river, farming, etc.)
3.5	January 1, 2020 falls on a Wednesday. All agreed to move the January Parks Committee Meeting to Tuesday, January 7, 2020, at 6:30pm.
3.6	With the dissolution of the Village of Amelia, Pierce Township will be responsible for Grove Park, and Spencer Shank Park. All are encouraged to visit both.
3.7	There is a Grant Writing Seminar offered by Clermont County Parks on January 30, 2020, from 6:00pm to 8:30pm.

**NEXT MEETING:        WEDNESDAY, December 4, 2019, 6:30pm**

**Minutes prepared by: Doug Dresie**