

## GREEN SPACE/PARK COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** December 5, 2018

IN ATTENDANCE:

George Carpenter Pat Hogan Doug Dresie Don Kelley Lori Wilson Jan Witkowski Tina Fredricks Carl Hartman

Dan Newyear

	Dog Park Update
1.1	2018 Results:
	Restaurant Fundraisers: \$1,055 vs. \$750 goal
	Total: \$5,355 to date
	Lori advised that another mailer is going out to 100 Pierce residents.
1.2	2019 Goals:
	Holiday Events – Continue July 4 <sup>th</sup> and Pupkin Parade in October
	• Business Sponsorships – This will be an area of focus in 2019. Lori is meeting with Park National Bank
	on December 14 <sup>th</sup> . We need to understand what their benefits would be. Other potential targets would
	be Allstate (Chris Heine) and State Farm (Letitia Fulkerson).
	• Grants – We will apply for the dog park specific grant again this year. ODNR Natureworks and the
	County Parks grant are other possibilities.

	Park Rules/Policies
2.1	Discussed the latest draft and meeting with Chief Bachman. All agreed to leave park hours as "Closed dusk
	to dawn." We also need to add that bicycles are allowed on paved paths only. Next steps are for Chief
	Bachman to review and advise which items are covered by the ORC. Then the rules would go to the Trustees
	for approval and then to Clermont County.

	2019 Planning
3.1	Monthly Meeting Dates All will remain the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm with the exception of January which will be
	Thursday, January 3 <sup>rd</sup> , and July which will be Tuesday, July 9 <sup>th</sup> . Doug to send e-mail to Loretta Rokey and
	Laura Waczovszky.
3.2	Events:
	• Park Fest will probably not happen this year as it anticipated that there will be construction going on for
	the Learning Center.
	• The group discussed doing a smaller scale fall event in conjunction with the Pupkin Parade. This will
	focus more on fundraising for the Dog Park and also for a community event.
3.3	Digital Newsletter
	Lori proposed development of a digital newsletter for Pierce Parks. The group is very enthusiastic about this.
	The newsletter will need to be reviewed and approved by the trustees. The thought is a quarterly newsletter.
	The goal is to target March 2019 for the first issue. The group should discuss/prepare content by end of
	January for review by the Trustees.

	Park Improvements
4.1	Learning Center Timing
	We need to understand the time constraints around the State Capital grant spending. We need to start
	pushing the design. The committee will set up a separate meeting to brainstorm needs. Doug will e-mail
	Allen and Loretta regarding timing.
4.2	Trash Cans
	Jan mentioned reviewing the trash cans at Batavia Township and Amelia Parks as potential ideas. Dan
	Newyear mentioned that he is now working for Witt Industries and provided catalogs. He said he can get
	pricing.
4.3	Pierce Preserve Sign
	We need to get the address from Loretta so that we can go to Distinctive Signs for pricing. Some thought the
	address is 3051 Pond Run. Don Kelley also noted that we need to get a message board so that we can post
	maps of the trails.
4.4	County Levy Grant
	Doug has e-mailed Chris Clingman at the County requesting dates for the next round of grant applications.
	He has not heard back. Some considerations are exercise equipment or History trail signs.

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, January 3, 2019, 6:30pm

Minutes prepared by: Doug Dresie