



**GREEN SPACE/PARK COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** July 5, 2023

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

**Pat Hogan      Doug Dresie      Dan Newyear      Michelle Balside**  
**Jim Ghere      Bob Wuerdeman**

	<b>Park Events</b>
1.1	<p>Concert/Car Show in the Park Planning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flyer: Jim presented a new option for the flyer. All agreed that this option would be utilized. The reference to “flashlights” should be removed since this is a day event. This was carryover from the Movie Night template.</li> <li>• Alcohol permit: Pat brought the application and Doug signed. Pat will get signatures from the Police Chief and one of the Trustees.</li> <li>• Car Show Plaques: Michelle found plaques on Amazon for \$75. She received a quote from a local vendor for \$200. Michelle will order from Amazon. Doug will send her the Township logo.</li> <li>• Tents: Pat will check with the Boy Scouts canopy availability. This will provide a shaded area for people to eat food.</li> <li>• Day of Event Planning: Doug is to compile a list of needs with responsibilities. Considerations include:  Trash cans  Coolers/Ice  Table/Chair Set-up  Signs  Tent Set-up</li> </ul>
1.2	<p>Summer Ice Cream Social at Spencer Shank Park:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ice Cream Truck confirmed for July 19<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm</li> <li>• Agenda: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Discuss vandalism/Neighborhood Concerns</li> <li>2. Discuss potential improvements and needs for Spencer Shank Park</li> <li>3. Discuss potential changes to existing Park amenities.</li> </ol> </li> </ul> <p>Doug will send e-mail from Groh Park Meeting in 2021 to Committee.</p>
1.4	<p>Movie in the Park (Locust Corner Park) September 16<sup>th</sup> Planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Movie time is 8:00pm</li> <li>• Kona Ice is confirmed for the event</li> <li>• Dan will get popcorn</li> <li>• Doug will get bottled water</li> <li>• Doug will post the flyer in the bulletin board at the Park</li> </ul>

1.5	<p>2024 Events:</p> <p>The Committee reviewed the 2024 calendar and established the following event dates:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Spring Park Work Day: Saturday, March 16, 2024</li> <li>2. Easter Egg Hunt: Saturday, March 23, 2024 (Saturday March 30, 2024 as an alternate for weather)</li> <li>3. Movie in the Park: Saturday, May 18, 2024</li> <li>4. Concert in the Park: Saturday, June 22, 2024</li> <li>5. 4<sup>th</sup> of July Bike Parade: Thursday, July 4, 2024</li> <li>6. Concert in the Park: Saturday, August 24, 2024</li> <li>7. Movie in the Park: Saturday, September 14, 2024</li> <li>8. Fall Park Work Day: Saturday, November 16, 2024</li> <li>9. Christmas Tree Lighting: Thursday, December 5, 2024</li> </ol> <p>The Committee will consider adding two small events (April &amp; October) at the August meeting.</p> <p>The Committee will discuss cost estimates at the August meeting.</p>
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<b>Park Improvements</b>	
2.1	<p>Clermont County Parks Grant Update:</p> <p>Doug has inquired with John Koehler and Tim Williams regarding ordering the shade structures, but, has not received and update.</p>
2.2	<p>Locust Corner and Groh Park Projects:</p> <p>The Township is working on a path forward for completion of the work and anticipates resolution within the next month.</p>

<b>Other Business</b>	
3.1	<p>Scout Project – Bat Houses</p> <p>Tristan Wolford presented his plan to install 1 to 2 bat houses at the Nature Park on Locust Corner Road. Bats benefit the area by eating insects. Bat houses helps to draw bats away from houses, barns, etc. The houses will be mounted 15’ above the ground and near the rear portion of the Nature Park. Tristan’s goal is to complete the project between August and October 2023. The Committee members all agreed to support the project. Pat Hogan will sign off as the sponsor. Pat will get with John Koehler to confirm placement so that they do not interfere with mowing operations.</p>
3.2	<p>August Parks Committee Meeting:</p> <p>Police National Night Out is scheduled for Wednesday, August 2, 2023, from 6-9pm. The Parks Committee agreed to move the August Committee Meeting to Tuesday, August 1, 2023.</p>
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**NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, August 1, 2023, 6:30pm**

**Minutes prepared by: Doug Dresie**