



**GREEN SPACE/PARK COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** October 4, 2023

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

**Doug Dresie    Dan Newyear    Michelle Balside            Anne Campbell            Pat Hogan**  
**Bob Wuerdeman**

<b>Park Events</b>	
1.1	<p>Movie Night in the Park – September 16<sup>th</sup> Results:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Great weather and turnout! Approximately 100 people attended.</li> <li>• Set up went well with Fun Flicks.</li> </ul>
1.2	<p>Fall Event 2024:</p> <p>There have been inquiries to the Township regarding additional movie nights as well as Halloween events. The group discussed adding an additional Movie Night next year in early October with a Halloween theme. We could start a little earlier and plan a “Trunk or Treat” for kids. Doug will add to the Event Budget Sheet for 2024 prior to forwarding to the Township.</p>
1.3	<p>Christmas Tree Lighting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The event is scheduled for Thursday, December 7, 2023, from 7pm-9pm, at Locust Corner Park.</li> <li>• Dan will reach out to West Clermont Schools for music. They asked for us to contact them in early November.</li> <li>• Michelle will coordinate ornament craft activities.</li> <li>• Dan will reach out to Pierce Point about popcorn for the event.</li> <li>• Anne will reach out to Bigby Coffee for hot chocolate.</li> </ul>
1.4	<p>Other Programming:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Doug mentioned that Claudia Carroll with the Cincinnati Master Gardener Club has reached out regarding volunteering opportunities. An opportunity would be spring plantings planned around the Park Work Day in the Spring.</li> <li>• Another opportunity to explore is educational programs through the Master Gardeners. Doug will reach out to Claudia.</li> </ul>

<b>Park Improvements</b>	
2.1	<p>Clermont County Parks Grant Update:</p> <p>The canopies have arrived. They will be installed as the Service Department frees up from Township projects. The Township has until April 5, 2024, to complete and send documentation to the County for reimbursement.</p>
2.2	<p>Locust Corner and Groh Park Projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Groh Park: This project is getting close to completion. A date needs to be established for the Trustees to dedicate the improvements. Entrance plantings may be another opportunity for the Master Gardeners.</li> <li>• Locust Corner Park: The Township has awarded a contract for completion of the project and work has started. Completion date is TBD.</li> </ul>

<b>Other Business</b>	
3.1	<p>Park Work Day – 11/11/23, 9am-1pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Volunteers will arrive at the Learning Center to start.</li> <li>• The focus will be invasive removal at the Nature Park.</li> <li>• Dan noted that there are a couple of trees down on the trails at Locust Corner Park. These will be addressed as well.</li> <li>• Dan will post at UC.</li> </ul>
3.2	<p>Scout Projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bat House Project: Pat advised that this project will be pushed to next year.</li> <li>• Another scout has reached out to the Township about a project. Pat is working on making contact,</li> </ul>
3.3	<p>November Meeting Date:  Doug has a conflict with the regular scheduled date of 11/1/23. The Committee agreed to move the meeting to 6:30pm, Monday, November 6, 2023, at the Township offices.</p>

**NEXT MEETING:        WEDNESDAY, November 6, 2023, 6:30pm**

**Minutes prepared by: Doug Dresie**