

**The City of Canal Fulton
Parks & Recreation Board
June 11, 2009**

Mr. Fred Fleming called the June 11, 2009 Parks & Recreation Board to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

Present: Fred Fleming, Mary Ann Hupp, Barbara Allman, and Ed Fousek.

Absent: Jay Johnson and Ian Losch.

Others Present: Mary Ann Higgins, Canalway Center Director of Programming.

CORRECTIONS OF AGENDA

Mr. Fleming stated to add Olde School Lot under Old Business, Item P.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the April meeting will be available at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS DAYS

Puffenberger Property

1. Engineering for Topography Grading – On Hold

Off-Leash Park

1. Broken seats on the Picnic Benches – No Report.

2. Condition of the Park
 - a. The turf is in good condition at this time. Mr. Fleming suggested having a brick pad around the picnic tables. He will check further to see if they still have the bricks.

Brick Donations

1. Report – Mr. Fleming reported he has installed the brick.

Parks & Recreation Programming/Canalway Center

1. Canalway Center/Program Report

Garden Dedication

- a. There will be a garden dedication for a former employee who passed away, Sheila Charlson. It will be held on June 27 at 10:30 AM. A granite plaque has been ordered. It will be placed in the garden in her memory. The family would like to make a donations of some flowers. Her brother was given some monies and would like to plant a tree.

Run to the Wall Event

- a. There were not as many motorcycles as anticipated. The Board didn't sell very many granola bars or juice. All had a good experience and enjoyed those that attended. There were approximately 800 motorcycles.

Silent Movie

- a. The movie was at Chapel Hill and went well. There was 25 in attendance, most of which were residents of Chapel Hill.

Music in the Park

- a. There were about 65 people in attendance for the Clinton Community Band concert.
- b. There was discussion of the lights in the park. They need to check to see if they aren't working properly or if they didn't come on because it doesn't get dark enough on the back side of the gazebo.
- c. The next concert will be held on Sunday, June 14 at 7:00 PM.
- d. Mrs. Higgins is updating the concession stand signs.
- e. Mr. Fleming stated they made \$43 in raffle ticket sales and concessions. The winning ticket will be drawn at Olde Canal Days.
- f. Mr. Fleming is going to print some of the flyers to hand out at the next concert on Sunday.

Pancake Breakfast

- a. The breakfast went well.

Wine and Cheese Cruise

- a. The cruise will be held on June 18, 2009. Tickets are still available.

Towpath Bike Ride

- a. Stark Parks is sponsoring a bike ride on the towpath on June 25. Riders will go to Clinton and back. There will be a naturalist guiding the tour and pointing out points of interest along the way.

Movie in the Park

- a. The next movie in the park will be held on June 26. Mrs. Higgins asked for assistance with setting up the screen and equipment.

Canalway Center

- a. The attendance for the Center for the month of May was 2521, compared to 1891 in 2008. The ticket sales for the canal boat are up this year. They have had more school charters this year.

2. Park Rules Update

- a. The park rules will be submitted to Council for approval. Our rules indicate no flotation devices in the canal but Stark Parks does allow kayaks or canoes in the canal.

3. Reservation Procedure Writing in Progress

- a. Mrs. Higgins stated she is still working on the reservations procedures.

Muhlhauser Park

1. Tennis Courts

- a. Build Your Own Drinking Fountain – Mr. Mayberry located one for \$1,500.00.

Mrs. Hupp moved to approve the purchase of the drinking fountain for the Muhlhauser Tennis Courts in the amount of \$1,500.00, seconded by Mrs. Allman.

ROLL: Yes, ALL.

Sign for the Park – The sign has been installed.

Tree

- a. The tree has been planted and will have a plaque at the base of the tree. It has been placed by the herb garden.
- b. There is a tree that is there that was donated in memory of James Schalmo and there isn't a plaque. He is going to look into this.

Restroom Doors

- a. Mr. Fleming stated he looked at the doors and they will be okay for a while, but the storage area door is rusted and will need repaired soon. Mr. Fleming stated he would like to replace one door a year and they will start with the storage area door.

Small Gazebo

- a. The conduit at the small gazebo needs repaired. It was hit by a mower.

Discovery Park - No Report

Newsletter Items – No Report

Budget

1. 2009 Budget – No Report

Community Service Coordinator

Project Suggestions (John Murphy) -

Mr. Fleming stated the hostas and other perennials that were donated by a local resident were placed around the sign at the park. Mrs. Higgins will find out her name and address so a thank you note can be sent.

Olde Canal Days

1. 2009 Booth & Other Activity
A basket of lottery tickets is going to be auctioned off.

St. Helena Heritage Park

1. New Roof for Refreshment Stand Building – Mr. Fleming stated if it isn't too bad he may possible do the roof himself.

Student Advisors – They don't have a new student advisor yet.

Olde School Lot Park

Mr. Fleming stated he has received an estimate for the wall to carry around the corner. It is over 100' long and 3 courses. Each course will be 8". The first course will be 4" in the ground. There will be a fence in the area with a gate. On the other side it will be banked outside of the gate. Mr. Fleming had a drawing and was showing members where the wall and fence will be placed.

Mr. Fleming stated they will be changing the direction of the basketball courts. They will have one and then 40' in between them and then another court. The fencing on the Locust Street side will be 12' high and 50' long on each one of the courts. Mr. Fleming stated if the asphalt is redone it will crack. However, he spoke with a gentleman who fixes asphalt courts. Mr. Fleming indicated to the guy that they were going to cut out the 40' area that was going to be in between the two courts. He said it is probably settled as much as it is going to and if they take that area out it would allow water to get into it and it would be unknown what could happen. He stated to do the crack patches. Anything less than an inch they would put tar on it and coat with sand, 1+ inch-they would clean out and put the patch in and then get a green paint and paint the area in between. Mr. Fleming stated they could then put two of the benches in the green area and people would be able to view the game on either side.

Mr. Fleming stated the only area that will be asphalted is an area consisting of 50'x75'. Mr. Fleming stated he has talked to the fence company, the person for the retaining wall and now talking with a gentleman about the asphalt. He stated the wall is going to cost \$4,900. It includes building the corner up and leveling it out. The City will have to provide the dirt for the dirt that was taken out. He stated behind the wall it will be 1' of stone. The interlocking block will be 8" thick and is 1' deep and 18" wide. He stated they area hollow and you fill them with limestone. It then adds to the drainage.

Mr. Fleming stated the park needs a sign.

NEW BUSINESS

Park Reservations – None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next meeting will be changed to July 8 due to Old Canal Days being July 9-11.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for July 8, 2009 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers.

ADJOURNMENT

Fred Fleming, Chairman