

PICKAWAY COUNTY

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PARK DISTRICT

Meeting 4th Thursday Monthly at Pickaway County Library meeting room.
The Public is encouraged to attend.

MEETING NOTES

Date Nov. 17, 2011

A. ROLL CALL. Board members. P=present A=absent

Robert (Pete) Hartinger P Ken Speakman A Ken Temple A
Bill Richards A Mike Hess P

Secretary: Andi Humphries P

Treasurer: County Auditor A

Webmaster: Michael Moore A

Guests: Karen Hassel and George Kane, Ohio Historical Society, Doug and Jeannie Radcliff.

DUE TO LACK OF QUORUM, THE MEETING WAS "DISCUSSIONS ONLY"

B. Reading of previous month Minutes. Mike Hess reviewed minutes, and didn't see any corrections. Vote will be next month.

C. Financial status of Park District. Auditor reports reviewed, balance remains \$5,870.47. Marie is paying the \$60 OPRA membership, \$90 to Clean Ohio for Sign, and \$203 and \$75 bonds for Pete and Mike respectively. The \$700 porta john bill was inadvertently sent to and paid by the Pickaway County Historical Society. It will be reimbursed when paperwork is presented.

D. Public Input

Logan Elm Park

Karen Hassel and Steve Henthorn, OHS maintenance, met with Logan Elm School's park liaison Rod Smith at the park. It is the historical society's goal to have the rafters and roof replaced by April 1; possibly with a cedar roof instead of asphalt. It was decided to replace all the logs as some are rotten. Karen asked for information on possible log cabin builders. Logan Elm School students will be building the benches with wood pieces already milled then delivered to the school.

On Nov. 7, Pete talked to Doug and Jeannie Radcliff about a possible acquisition of land for a parking lot. As neighbors of the park, were brought up to date with the work being planned for the park. They are concerned with the current conditions of the park, and interested in the future plans. Upon Pete's suggestion, Karen asked the Radcliff's to join the committee. They agreed.

Plans for a parking lot were shown on a 1933 diagram of the area. It details 35 parking spaces on land to the west of the present entrance which is currently owned by the Radcliff's. The plan would be updated and changed as needed to provide for cars, busses and access to the fields if an agreement was reached. Karen asked the Radcliff's to be on the committee for the arboretum and to communicate with other neighbors about the current plans. Doug and Jeannie agreed to continue communicating with the society.

The Historical Society is working on a 100-year celebration of the founding of the park to be held in 2012.

E. Unfinished Business.

Logan Elm Trail: see above

Pickaway Trail: Clinton County with the Tri County Coalition is applying for a grant of at least \$500,000 to develop the trail for those areas. Pickaway County should apply for the grant in the following year.

Roundtown Trail: Pete met with 12 others including Mayor Elect Don McIlroy about the status of the grant. They will be applying again with a "public input" section added based website and paper surveys which will be available at the YMCA. The park district will continue to be the umbrella for this committee.

Martha Hitler Park: This will not be paved until the spring. Final plans show a paved lot with 35 spaces. The Township trustees may gravel the lot until the spring.

Ohio Historical Marker: Pete sent a letter to the Pickaway County Historical Society about an Ohio Marker marking the Ohio Erie Canal and the Cincinnati Railroad. They liked the idea, but thought funding might be a problem since the cost is about \$2,400. When a quorum is present, Pete will ask about funding of at least \$200 for the marker. Some of the funds could be solicited from other sources.

F. New Business:

- Year end terms: Mike Hess is completing the balance of Marty Delematre's term, which ends this year. He is interested in a new three-year-term.*
- Pete read Mayor-Elect Don McIlroy's first news article in the Herald which mentions the Park Board as one of the five important aspects of the area.*

G. Discussion. Pete said that 24 of 31 park levies on the Ohio ballot in November passed.

H. Volunteer hours for November, 2011 Board Members: Pete 12, Mike Hess, 2.

Volunteer hours for September, 2011 Other Volunteers: Andi 2.

J. Schedule of next meeting. Public Library meeting room, Thursday, Dec. 15, 2011.

K. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Note: These routine meetings are to be One hour, and not to extend more than ½ hr. longer.

Additional time will require special meetings.

Meeting agenda posting is at 139 W. Franklin Street office 24 hr advance & Minutes posted on web site.