

# PICKAWAY COUNTY

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## PARK DISTRICT

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

### MEETING MINUTES

Date - 8/28/08

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

Charles Babb P Marty Delamatre A Robert (Pete) Hartinger P

Ken Speakman P Ken Temple P

Guests Eric Clark, Marcia Hall

Secretary: Andi Humphries P

Treasurer: County Auditor A

Webmaster: Michael Moore A

**B. Reading of previous month Minutes. (approved) Andi Humphries**

Pete Motioned and Ken Seconded that the minutes be accepted. Motion carried.

**C. Financial status of Park District Pete Hartinger Balance, 11,006.21 Balance is the same as last month.**

**D. Executive director-secretary report Charles E. Babb**

- **Discussions on Canal Park:** Charles attended the September board meeting of the Canal to discuss the Park Board's interest in the Canal Land. It was suggested that the Canal Committee could continue to meet, just report to the Park Board instead of the Historical Society. It will be a topic for the Annual meeting of the Historical Society Sept. 21 at the Canal Park.
- **Web:** The web page is current through the June meeting.
- **Future:** looks positive because of all the work that is being done.
- **Rails to Trails Meeting Aug. 25:** Met with representatives of Clinton, Ross, Fayette, Greene and Pickaway Counties. Trails Manager Eric Oberg talked about funding with grants. Pete noted that 16 people attended and they were excited to know that DP& L is selling land. Fayette County doesn't have a park board, but are exploring the possibility.

**E. Unfinished Business.**

Survey: Eric Clark reported that 85% of the survey is finished. He has reviewed 150 years of deed records and has discovered a lot of interesting information.

Weather permitting, the document will be done in two weeks. He said it shouldn't be a problem for the county because it will be a new survey. Ken Temple suggested the possibility of scheduling a special meeting when the paperwork is in order. This would help with the time-line of having the funds from the commissioners and the Pickaway County Community Foundation. He also noted that the more connections that are made, the more "points" are accumulated which is positive for grants.

**Martha Hitler Park** Pete check with Chuck Wellman who has the rock and wants to know what information should be on it. Ken said that less is best. It was decided to have the name, and date established. Marcia will check her notes for that date. The location should be close to the road.

#### **F. New Business.**

**Canal Park:** As previously noted, it was discussed at the canal committee meeting, but must be brought up at an open meeting. Will be presented at the Fall meeting, may be resolved by the Spring meeting.

**Big Darby Creek:** Offer to insert requests for assistance to preserve through Rhonda-Border Boose through a grant process with Huntington

**Requests to county commissioners:** Because Terry Frazier's department, mapping, and emergency management will be moving to another location, Charles asked the County Commissioners to allow them to still have the small space in the basement of the old jail. He also asked them to consider hiring a part time person to apply for grants. It was suggested that he draw up the requirements and give them to Ryan Scribner, the commissioner's administrator. Charles said it would be part time paid position. Ken said he has no problem with a paid position, but it might be hard to know how many hours it would take. Pete suggested looking at Ross County's parttime position then write up a job description.

**Orient Park:** Pete received a letter from Mary Ann Strickland, Orient Village Mayor about the village park committee. He attended a meeting Aug. 14 and learned they are asking for grant money for a shelter house, equipment and safety measures. They are looking at guidelines for the park committee and clarification of the ownership of the ball diamond. They have the advantage of Orient Correctional Community Service. Charles suggested they could get in contact with Ohio Department of Natural Resources. Ken pointed out the Ohio Correctional User Statute that has information about fees for use of parks.

#### **G. Discussion.**

Pete has a map from the five county meeting detailing the Fairfield Heritage Trail from Lancaster to Stoutsville.

Andi said that Randy Metzler of Williamsport was in the visitors bureau recently talking about the "Concretions" in Deer Creek southwest of Williamsport, on his property. They are adjacent to the village park. These are unusual formations in the water, probably forming from remnants of shark's teeth. He brought it to the visitors bureau because it is a unique attraction that probably should be developed. Director Charlie Jackson suggested that he bring it to the Park Board's attention.

*Eric gave progress notes on the Mary Virginia Hannan Park: Asphalt is being laid, and a piping system is being developed that may help with an ice skating park. Concrete work will be starting soon.*

*Pete noted that Sunrise Rotary has pledged \$1,000 to the park board with a chance for more money.*

*. H. Public Input none*

*I. Schedule of next meeting: Public Library meeting room Thursday Sept. 25*

*J. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 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 121 West Franklin Street office 24 hr advance & Minutes posted on web site.*

*Volunteer hours Aug. 2008 Board Members 36 + 474 =510*

*Volunteer hours Aug. 2008 Other Volunteers\* 06 + 098=104*

*Total 2008 614*

*\*Eric Clark said he will note his volunteer hours on Survey documents.*