

Pickaway County Park District Meeting  
04/26/2007  
Library

Charles Babb  
Michael Moore  
Ken Speakman  
Marty DeLamatre-arrived late  
Robert Hartinger  
Bill Weldon  
Ken Temple

Guests: Louis McFarland-Circleville Service Director, Eric Clark-surveyor, Terry Frazier-county planning.

Reading of minutes by Charles Babb. Minutes approved;

**Treasurers Report:**

\$11,207.03 total assets; 2 CDs are coming due at end of the month. All agreed to roll the CDs over; Bill Weldon read financial report and provided copies for all present.

**Old Business:**

Prehistoric Artifacts show-appeared to go well. Really helped get our name out there and let others know who we are and what we are about. 80 people were in attendance. PARG (Pickaway Archaeological Research Group) representative Dr. Jarrod Burks (archaeologist) stated that they had found a "square" in northern Pickaway County that could be part of a settlement. He shared that it has been a long time since anything like this has been found. It is near Peters Farm market.

Apple Grafting-also went well and was sponsored by Historical Society and Park Board, again another good way to let the community know we exist.

Martha Hitler Park-Motion made to accept agreement but omit the mowing responsibility. Motion by Charles Babb, seconded by Ken Temple; Motion passed unanimously. Lease will be pursued but there will be discussion with township trustees about the mowing and that we would like for the township to continue to be responsible for mowing of the park.

**New Business:**

There will be a meeting with Reid Faulkner, Real Estate Manager for DP & L at 1pm 5/1/07 to meet and go see the site that we could acquire and discuss future lease management agreement of railroad bed from Canal Road to Route 104. Also will discuss possible future acquisitions/rights to the bed for trail options.

Will also meet at 2pm 5/1/07 in Terry Frazier's office with Mr. Faulkner to discuss access options to the railroad right of way.

Eric Clark mentioned that there may be some obstacles regarding ownership/usage of the railroad bed. Decided to have above meetings above and continue to have conversations about all of the possibilities regarding trails and access.

Robert Hartinger mentioned that there is a park in Orient, Ohio that we will be adding to the website information. Michael Moore will take care of adding this to the website.

Louis McFarland, Circleville Service Director presented information about applying for grant to purchase right of way from Bolender Pontius to St. Rt. 56 (Pumpkin Patch to Martha Hitler Park) About 1 and ½ miles of area. Louis discussed/presented information wanting to make sure that the Park Board was aware of the plans. He provided some information about the plan. Currently would look at acquiring land as first phase of project. If land is acquired would move into Phase II to actually build a path. Also discussed and informed board about another grant (Safe Route to school grant) to look at path from Barthlemas to Martha Hitler. We thanked Louis and other guests for their information and attending our meeting.

Charles motioned to adjourn at 8pm; Robert Hartinger seconded.