

Tuscora Park Board Meeting October 19th, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm by Park Board President Jan McInturf.

Members in attendance: Tom Farbizo, Denver Gallentine, Phil Tidrick, Jim Range, Jan McInturf

Excused absence: Dave Frantz, Bill Morgan, Courtney Shalosky

Guests in attendance: Mayor Joel Day, Mitch Pace, Chase Hostetler, Rod Miller, Ron McAbier, Dede McCartney, Ted Metcalf, Curtis P. Wagner

Mayor's Report: None.

Service Director Ron McAbier reported that the City plans to apply for financial assistance from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for new restrooms near the tennis courts, through the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund program. The total cost for the project is estimated at \$150,000. Legislation for approval to apply for the funding is currently with City Council and more information should be available by the December meeting.

Park Director's Report: None.

Tuscora Park Foundation Report:

A drive-thru chicken BBQ was held on Sunday, October 16th to coincide with the Pickleball Court grand opening and ribbon cutting. \$3,400 was raised.

RTY:

JJ Boroski reported the work on the Ferris wheel is completed. RTY has received quotes for repairs on the train, taking down batting cages, etc. The costs for each of those projects has been covered.

Tom Farbizo reported the Bob O'Donnell has donated money to finish the viewing area in the spring at the pickleball courts.

\$10,000 has been received from New Philadelphia City Schools to finish the Field 2 dugouts. The project is slated to be completed by December.

This will be the 25th year for Christmas in the Park. Jan McInturf asked for permission to put a sign up on the corner of North Broadway and Tuscora Avenue.

New Business:

The board heard a request from Dede McCartney and the T-County Pickleball club. The group asked that, due to the size of their growing club, they be able to continue to use the tennis courts as well as the new pickleball courts recently constructed, with two tennis courts equaling 4 pickleball courts. Painting permanent markings would allow them to remove the temporary tape currently on the tennis courts.

Motion to ask for New Philadelphia City Schools' approval to paint lines for pickleball courts on the two upper tennis courts.

1st / Tom Farbizo 2nd / Jim Range Motion carried.

Curt Wagner, ODNR District 3 Fisheries Management Supervisor presented the board with a request to stock the Tuscora Park pond with rainbow trout for fishing. A fishing license would be required, and a 5-fish limit would be established. ODNR rangers would be able to check licenses and litter control.

Motion to enter into an agreement with ODNR, contingent on Alec Hillyer's approval. 1^{st} / Jim Range 2^{nd} / Tom Farbizo Motion carried.

Motion To Adjourn: 1st / Tom Farbizo 2nd / Jim Range Vote / Unanimous

Meeting Adjourned at 1:18 pm

Next meeting scheduled for November 16th.

~ Meeting minutes submitted by Phil Tidrick