



Tuscora Park Board Meeting March 15th, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m. by Park Board president Jan McInturf.

Members In Attendance: Tom Farbizo, Jan McInturf, Bill Morgan, Jim Range, Courtney Shalosky, Phil Tidrick

Excused Absence: Dave Frantz & Denver Gallentine

Guests In Attendance: Park Director Rod Miller, Mitch Pace, Michelle Ramsell / Megan from Tuscarawas County Public Library, & Deedee McCartney - representing Pickle Ball group

Approval of January 2023 Park Board Minutes

1st / Tom Farbizo

2nd / Phil Tidrick

Vote / Unanimous (6-0)

(No Park Board meeting held in Feb.)

Guest Speaker Michelle Ramsell from the Tuscarawas County Public Library made a presentation, regarding a proposal that would place a Story Walk display at the South Side Park. The approximate cost of the project would be \$6,200 plus installation costs. The proposal would be donor funded & require no money from the Park Board or the city of New Philadelphia. Mrs. Ramsell and Megan from the TCPL took several questions for members the Park Board about the concept.

Vote For Story Walk project (pending City Administration approval)

1st / Tom Farbizo

2nd / Jim Range

Vote / Unanimous (6-0)

Park Director's Report / Director Miller said that Adam Fulton has been hired as Asst. Park Director, replacing Chase Hostetler. Dir. Miller said Mr. Fulton was already working.

Mayor's Report: Park Director Rod Miller presented a written compilation from Mayor Day that was given at a recent City Council meeting, highlighting Park accomplishments from calendar year 2022.

Guest Deedee McCartney and others representing a local pickleball group, gave a presentation about some ideas and proposals for use of the pickleball courts at Tuscora Park.

The Park Board noted that they would take the ideas under advisement.

Guest Mitch Pace, representing the group organizing the Fishing Derby, updated the PB on the progress of the planning for that event - scheduled for April 2023. Pace said there had been a large amount of community interest in the idea.

Tuscora Park Foundation Report: Jan McInturf said the Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser was a success, raising \$ 2,105.89.

Old Business: Tom Farbizo reported that fundraising was continuing for the improvements to the varsity baseball field (Field # 1) at Tuscora Park. Mr. Farbizo stated that the funds had been raised to provide a new scoreboard & further fundraising was continuing.

New Business: Election of Park Board Officers for 2023.....

President / Jan McInturf
Vice President / Jim Range
Secretary / Bill Morgan

1st / Tom Farbizo
2nd / Courtney Shalosky
Vote / Unanimous (6-0)

The next Park board Meeting will be April 19th, 2023.

Motion To Adjourn
1st / Jan McInturf
2nd / Bill Morgan
Vote / Unanimous (6-0)

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

~ Meeting minutes submitted by Bill Morgan