



Tuscora Park Board Meeting May 23, 2018

The meeting was called to order at Noon by board President, Mike Ernest.

Present were members Jan McInturf, Phil Tidrick, Tom Farbizo and Courtney Shalosky.

Excused were Dave Frantz, Bill Morgan and Jim Parrish.

Guests were Mayor Joel Day, Parks and Recreation Department Superintendent Rod Miller, Asst. Parks Superintendent Chase Hostetler and Service Director Ron McAbier.

Tom Farbizo made a motion to accept the April 18, 2018 meeting minutes. Jan McInturf seconded the motion. **Motion Passed**

Old Business....

1) Regarding the pickle ball courts, Mayor Day said he approved paying Vasco Sports of Massillon \$500 to paint tick/mark the upper two tennis courts for pickle ball play. The park will provide painters tape or chalk for players to use to mark the pickle ball court.

2) All rides have been inspected except the swings. A state inspector will do that on Friday. RTY ride manager Bud Scholles told Supt. Miller that everything is ready to go.

3) On April 21, 2018, a ceremony dedicating the new tennis courts was held. There was a nice turnout and beautiful weather.

Tom Farbizo reported that he has picked up applications to apply to local foundations for money to renovate the tennis courts 'storage building.

New Business....

1) A tennis clinic for Quaker Youth Tennis has asked for use of all the courts at the park. Board members examined a flyer being distributed for the event and had questions. Supt. Miller said he would gather more information about it.

2) Mayor Day said he was informed that OMEGA rejected the City's application for Phase I funding of the Southside Community Park project. He told the board that the City still has \$400,000.00 for the project from the State Capital Budget and has applied for Clean Ohio grant money.

3) Prior to today's meeting, members and guests did a walkthrough of Tuscora Park to examine the condition of playground equipment and other park structures. Mr. Ernest said the tour showed a need for new benches, mulch and fencing, all of which would require money. Supt. Miller added that new roofs will be needed on picnic shelters. It was suggested that the board reach out to businesses and individuals to see if any would be interested in adopting a shelter and paying an annual contribution for its upkeep. A plaque recognizing their contribution would be placed at the shelter. Mr. Ernest said he would work on a plaque design.

4) Supt. Miller reported that the Dennison Depot wants to honor military veterans on the anniversary of the D-Day Invasion, June 6th. A display will be built by Depot workers on the Tuscora Avenue side of the park lake. All veterans will be invited to attend an unveiling ceremony.

5) Miller also reported that the fountain in the lake was broken due to a turtle that got stuck in the motor. Fenton Electric has since fixed the problem.

With no further business to discuss, Courtney Shalosky made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Tom Farbizo. **Meeting adjourned**

NEXT PARK BOARD MEETING IS TO BE ANNOUNCED.