



City of Hudson, Ohio

Meeting Minutes - Final Park Board

Rhonda Kadish, Chair

Russ Ackerman

Gene Fitch

Tom King

Douglas Kuhn

Keith Smith

Rob Swedenborg

Trent Wash, Asst. Public Works Director

John Spivak, Asst. Public Works Superintendent

Beth Weiser, Executive Assistant

Monday, July 18, 2016

7:00 PM

Town Hall

1. Call to Order

Ms. Kadish called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m., in accordance with the Sunshine Laws of the State of Ohio, O.R.C. Section 121.22.

Rollcall

Present 6 - Mr. Ackerman, Mr. Fitch, Ms. Kadish, Mr. Kuhn, Mr. Smith and Mr. Swedenborg

Excused 1 - Mr. King

Also in attendance: Trent Wash, John Spivak, Beth Weiser, Denise Solomon from the Environmental Awareness Committee, and Kathy Battaglia from League of Woman's Voters.

2. Approval of the Minutes

16-0072 Minutes of the previous Park Board meeting

Attachments: [minutes 5-16-16 draft](#)

Add the word 'suggested' in item 3.

A motion was made by Mr. Swedenborg, seconded by Mr. Kuhn, that this be approved as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mr. Ackerman, Mr. Fitch, Ms. Kadish, Mr. Kuhn, Mr. Smith and Mr. Swedenborg

Excused: 1 - Mr. King

3. Resident Input

[TMP-2145](#) Kiwanis Splash Pad

Attachments: [splash pad kiwanis](#)

[Veterans Park Splash Pad-2016 Cartoon 7-14-2016](#)

[splashpad](#)

[splashpad2](#)

Dave Hartman of 2345 Victoria Parkway came to represent Hudson Kiwanis and their donation for a splash pad at Veterans Way Park. Thom Sheridan came to explain the engineering of a splash pad.

All were in favor of accepting the donation from Kiwanis of \$75,000 to create and finance (approx. \$142,000) a splash pad at Veterans Way Park to be installed by Memorial Day 2017 pending fitting the project into the budget. The matter was tabled until the September meeting.

4. Director's Report

Re-cap of the last year since Administration change

- Paving of the Barlow Farm park parking lots and driveway
- Replaced basketball goals at Colony, Cascade and Middleton Park
- Installed new dugouts at Oak Grove Park and Middleton Park
- Installed new boat dock at Hudson Springs
- Installed new playground equipment at Oak Grove Park
- Installed new permanent restroom facilities at Oak Grove, Cascade and Colony Park
- Completed the Hike and Bike trail into Hudson Springs Park
- Installation of new stadium lighting at Oak Grove Park
- Renovated the infield at Oak Grove Park
- Veterans Way Park shade structures
- Veterans Trail Phase 1 grant application pending
- Veterans Trail Phase 2 in the design stage
- Veterans Trail Phase 3 in the design stage
- Veterans Trail Phase 4 designed and will begin construction 2017

Maintenance

- Park wide painting
- New fencing
- New signage
- New trash receptacles
- Ball field prep and water removal

Keith Smith suggested repaving Oak Grove outside loop parking.

5. Committee Reports

A. Facility Usage

1.) [TMP-2146](#) Fall Baseball

Attachments: [Fall Ball Fury](#)

The consensus was that if field space is available, let them use it.

2.) Soccer

The consensus was that Hudson United has to share the fields or move goals when they are not in use.

B. Environmental Awareness

Mr. Fitch asked if the Park Board would like to have a booth at the Green on the Green event which is September 17 9-12:30

Volunteers for the day: Keith Smith, Rhonda Kadish & Asst. Superintendent, John Spivak

C. Finance Committee

The Board received the budget and priority list on Friday. Keith Smith will join the Finance Committee with since he has a finance background.

D. Trail Committee

Mr. King and Mr. Swedenborg met and composed a letter for the residents adjacent to the Turnpike Trail. As soon as it is approved by Council, the letter will go out.

6. Old Business

A. Dog Run Fencing

The project is \$8000.

A motion was made by Ms. Kadish that this be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mr. Ackerman, Mr. Fitch, Ms. Kadish, Mr. Kuhn, Mr. Smith and Mr. Swedenborg

Excused: 1 - Mr. King

B. Veterans Trail Phase 2 Routing - T. Sheridan

Thom Sheridan came to give details on the design of Veterans Trail. There will be a joint meeting with Thom, the Park Board and Council with public comment. After that meeting a formal vote will be called for to approve the routing.

C. Leadership Hudson Class of 2016

Mr. Wash is working with the class to determine location for their class project an exercise fitness park.

D. Tennis Courts

Mr. Fitch brought up the High School Tennis Courts that were discussed several months ago. It was decided at the time if we were going to invest in tennis courts we were going to put them on our own property. Council would have to give the money and seemed uninterested in the project but never gave a definitive yes or no. Mr. Smith suggested in-kind services instead of funds. He and Mr. Fitch will explore further and talk to the City Manager.

7. New Business**A. Grant for Cart Paths**

This is a 50/50 grant through The Land and Water Conservation Fund - ODNR manages the fund. We will apply for \$145,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Fitch, that we support the application of this grant and provide the funds for the City's half. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mr. Ackerman, Mr. Fitch, Ms. Kadish, Mr. Kuhn, Mr. Smith and Mr. Swedenborg

Excused: 1 - Mr. King

B. Playground at Veterans Way Park

Ms. Kadish suggested adding a merry-go-round.

8. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Swedenborg, seconded by Mr. Ackerman, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mr. Ackerman, Mr. Fitch, Ms. Kadish, Mr. Kuhn, Mr. Smith and Mr. Swedenborg

Excused: 1 - Mr. King

Rhonda Kadish, Chair

Beth Weiser, Executive Assistant