



City of Hudson, Ohio

Meeting Minutes - Final

Park Board

Rhonda Kadish, Chair

Rob Swedenborg, Vice Chair

Russ Ackerman

James Antes

Gene Fitch

Tom King

Douglas Kuhn

Trent Wash, Asst. Public Works Director

Beth Weiser, Executive Assistant

Monday, November 16, 2015

7:15 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 5 - Mr. Ackerman, Mr. Fitch, Ms. Kadish, Mr. Kuhn and Mr. Swedenborg

Excused 1 - Mr. King

Absent 1 - Mr. Antes

Also present; Trent Wash, John Spivak, Beth Weiser, Dennis Hanink

2. Approval of the Minutes

[15-0144](#)

Minutes of Previous Park Board Meetings.

Attachments:

[Park Board Minutes 10-19-2015draft](#)

The Minutes of the October 12, 2015 meeting were approved as submitted.

3. Resident Input

Jeff Goodman & Erik Jackson of Hudson Fury Baseball asked how they could be a tier A team thus get priority for the fields. Hudson Fury serves 6 teams with 85 kids total with a small percentage who are not Hudson kids. They serve 13, 14 and 15 year-olds and there are not many fields in Hudson that can serve this age group. Mr. Wash explained the recent to the policy.

This matter was received and filed

4. Director's Report

[TMP-1722](#)

Trail Construction

Attachments:

[Hudson Park Trail Status 111515](#)

Mr. Wash presented a spreadsheet detailing the upcoming trail projects.

The information was received and filed.

Maintenance Report

Mr. Spivak reported on maintenance items being completed in the parks.

5. Committee Reports

A. Council Report

Mr. Hanink announced the Charter was approved by the voters. Printed copies will likely be available in the first quarter of the new year. The Park Board will now make recommendations instead of overseeing the operation and presenting a budget to Council.

B. Environmental

Since there is no one available to replace Mr. Fitch on the Environmental Awareness Committee, he will remain as liaison. He will not attend their meetings. He will be their point of contact if they need anything from the Park Board.

C. Facility Usage

Mr. Kuhn contacted various cities about fisheries. No other communities are doing quite what we are doing. Aurora's is self-sustaining and a gentleman goes around and issues fishing permits during all operating hours.

D. Finance

No report.

E. Friends of Parks/PR

Ms. Kadish shared information about House Bill 8 allowing drilling on City and MetroPark property.

[TMP-1707](#)

House Bill 8

Attachments:

[HB 8](#)

The matter was discussed and members will review documents and at the next meeting recommend to Council that we be part of the efforts to get this denied in the Ohio State Senate.

F. Master Plan

Ms. Kadish reported on a meeting with Mr. Wash. Mr. King, Mr. Ackerman and Mr. Spivak to look through the Master Plan. The committee will meet again the first week of December and changes will be discussed at a future Park Board meeting. The committees intention is to rewrite the document instead of add an addendum.

This matter will be discussed further at future meetings.

G. Playground Committee

Oak Grove Playground will be installed by the end of the year.

H. Trail/Connectivity

Mr. King and Mr. Swedenborg have been meeting. Mr. Swedenborg gave a history of the trail projects.

6. Old Business

Mr. Swedenborg revisited the subject of drone use in the parks.

7. New Business**A. Pedal Hudson**

Mr. King sent a memo about Pedal Hudson, a Leadership Hudson Class project for which Mr. King is on the committee.

[TMP-1695](#)

Pedal Hudson

Attachments:

[Pedal Hudson Report 11 6 15](#)

This matter was discussed.

B. 2016 Meeting Schedule

[TMP-1706](#)

Schedule worksheet

Attachments:

[2016 meeting schedule worksheet](#)

The dates for 2016 meetings were approved as submitted by staff. The meetings will start at 7:00PM in 2016.

The December 2015 meeting was cancelled.

Aye: 5 - Mr. Ackerman, Mr. Fitch, Ms. Kadish, Mr. Kuhn and Mr. Swedenborg

Excused: 1 - Mr. King

8. Adjournment

The next meeting will be January 18, 2016 at 7pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:2 PM.

Aye: 5 - Mr. Ackerman, Mr. Fitch, Ms. Kadish, Mr. Kuhn and Mr. Swedenborg

Excused: 1 - Mr. King

Rhonda Kadish, Chair

Beth Weiser, Executive Assistant

Upon approval by the Park Board, this official written summary of the meeting minutes shall become a permanent record, and the official minutes shall also consist of a permanent audio and video recording, excluding executive sessions.