



Park and Recreation Board
April 9, 2025 - 6:00 PM
233 South Main Street, Monroe, Ohio

Call to Order

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

- March 12, 2025

Old Business

- None

New Business

- None

Administrative Reports

- Various Updates

Adjournment



PARK AND RECREATION BOARD MINUTES

March 12, 2025 – 6:00 P.M.

233 South Main Street, Monroe, Ohio

CALL TO ORDER: The Park and Recreation Board meeting was called to order by Chair Michael Marchetti at 6:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Paul Koloszar, Jonathan Granville, and Michael Marchetti.

Staff members present: Public Works Director Gary Morton and Recording Secretary Donna Campbell.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Koloszar moved to approve the meeting minutes from February 12, 2025; seconded by Mr. Granville. Voice vote. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Mr. Morton mentioned the revised Park and Recreation Board Rules and Regulations which the Board had previously discussed. He stated that he had spoken to one of the City of Monroe drone pilots and was advised that the FAA regulates the drones, so the City has no regulation over the drones. It was suggested that it should not be addressed in the Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Granville made a motion to move the revised Park and Recreation Board Rules and Regulations forward to City Council for consideration with the Park and Recreation Board's recommendation to approve; seconded by Mr. Koloszar. Voice vote. Motion carried

Mr. Morton discussed the Community Park Hydrology project and stated he is working with property owners through easements to construct the ditch from the road back into the park, which would drain to the west. The City currently has a 10' easement and is asking for an additional 30' of easement. Plans are ready unless they need to be adjusted due to easements. At this point, the City is not sure if the project will happen this year.



Mr. Morton mentioned that the City is now under contract for the design of the loop at Bicentennial Commons. A kick-off meeting was held with Fishbeck Engineering. Fishbeck Engineering is scheduling survey crews to complete more survey work and start designing the trail around the park's loop. This will determine points where the City will go under the trail for drainage into Gregory Creek and the Great Miami River.

Mr. Morton discussed a \$50,000 grant opportunity. The City would like to install a small shelter at Rosemont Park between the parking lot and detention basin for people to get out of the sun and rain, rest, etc., while utilizing the park.

Mr. Morton stated the City is still working with consultants on design pricing at Crossings Park to redesign the parking lot and add additional parking.

Mr. Morton mentioned that the Public Works Department would be working on installing the batting cages this week at Community Park as well as opening restrooms and turning on water April 1, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Granville moved to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Koloszar. Voice vote. Motion carried.

The Park and Recreation Board meeting adjourned at 6:14 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Campbell
Recording Secretary