

# Hiram Recreation & Park Board

Meeting Minutes

Rosser Municipal Building

11617 Garfield Road, Hiram OH 44234

**March 14, 2019**

**Park Board Members:**

Jo Walsh-Cobb  
Steve Zabor  
James McGee, Village Administrator

**Absent:**

Chris Szell, Chair

**Official Recorder:**

Wendelin Taylor, Assistant Fiscal Officer

**Others Present:**

**General:** Jo Walsh-Cobb called the meeting order at 4:30 p.m. The minutes from the October 2018 meeting were reviewed and Jo asked for a motion to accept the minutes. Steve Zabor made a motion to accept the minutes and James McGee seconded. Motion passed.

**Public Comment:**

**Old Business:**

- A. Reign Hadsell Hiram School Park: Items on this season's to do list are: mulch, parking lot striping, water fountain installation and the final filling of the electrical trench. The bike rack and park bench need to be installed and will be done when the weather permits. Also, the paths and the picnic table area need to be graveled. The turn-around fence will be extended and that area dressed.
- B. Walkable Village: Jo Walsh-Cobb is still investigating the possibility of promoting Hiram as a "walkable community"
- C. Jagow Park: The playground mulch is still in good shape. James will order new swing seats. The ball park will have new dirt added to the play area.

**New Business:**

- A. Dog Park: Steve Schuller has proposed that the northeast corner of Reign Hadsell Hiram School Park be designated as a dog park area. He is working on the particulars.
- B. Park Work Day: The Park Board would like to schedule a volunteer work day to help clean-up each park and the Hike and Bike Trail. The Board would like to include Hiram College and Crestwood students if at all possible. A tentative work date of April 27<sup>th</sup> was discussed.
- C. New Park Board Members: The Park Board discussed the need to fill Sam Bixler's vacant seat and perhaps adding a member. Jo will post the need on the Park's Facebook page and will give Wendelin a short article to place in April's Communicator. Jo also suggested putting together an informal fund raising committee made up of interested Village residents. Steve Zabor agreed that could be an option.
- D. Jagow Park: The condition of the pavilion is a concern. Replacing the pavilion will be a considerable expense. Any new construction would have to include ADA compliant accessibility, including a restroom facility. This project is not a priority at present.

The next meeting will be held April 11, 2018 at 4:20 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 4.58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Approved:

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Wendelin Taylor, Asst. Fiscal Officer

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Chris Szell, Chairperson