

Hiram Recreation & Park Board

Meeting Minutes
Rosser Municipal Building
11617 Garfield Road, Hiram OH 44234

November 21, 2019

Park Board Members:

Chris Szell, Chairperson
Suzann Bennett, Jo Walsh-Cobb, Steve Zabor
Mayor Lou Bertrand
James McGee, Village Administrator

Absent:

Official Recorder:

Wendelin Taylor, Assistant Fiscal Officer

Others Present:

General: Chris Szell called the regular meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Suzann Bennett motioned to accept the minutes of the September 19, 2019 meeting. Chris Szell seconded. Motion passed. Chris stated that he attended the Portage County Community Development Steering Committee meeting the evening of September 19th. He gave a brief summary of what the Steering Committee's function. They will primarily keep a watch on grants that may match community needs. Their next meeting is set for January.

Public Comment:

Old Business:

A. Reign Hadsell Park: Placement of the second bench and bike rack were discussed. Chris has more prairie seed for sowing. He would like to wait until we have good snow fall before sowing. He wants to sow on the snow.

B. Jagow Park: James provided a quote of \$3700.00 for new playground border similar to what already exists at Reign Hadsell. This price includes mulch.

C. Century House Walkway: The pavers in the walkway need to be reset. James will do that work in-house. A short discussion regarding fund raising for replacement and new pavers followed. Jo Walsh-Cobb asked if it would be helpful to utilize student volunteers for some of the labor to take up the walkway. James will get a quote to have the work done professionally.

D. Signage: James had presented a mock-up of a new Village sign at a previous meeting. He presented that mock-up again and asked for suggestion. Several ideas were discussed. No decision was made at this meeting.

New Business:

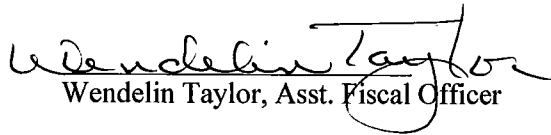
A. Reign Hadsell Park: Someone has tried to clean the graffiti off the play elements. It is lighter than before, but not completely gone. The gazebo fire extinguisher has been shot off again. The extinguisher cabinet glass is being broken. The possibility of applying for a grant to install a cement sidewalk to the gazebo and permanent pad for the handicap table were discussed. James would like to purchase a few additional trash containers for the park.

B. Pavilion Rebuild: The question of rebuilding the Hiram Park pavilion was brought up. James stated that if the pavilion is replaced it would need to be ADA compliant and that an ADA compliant restroom facility will also need to be built.

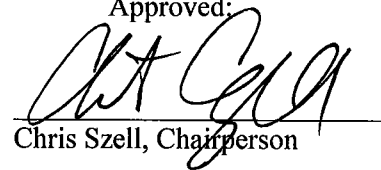
C. Basketball Court: James presented a quote of \$20,000.00 to rehab and resurface the basketball court at Hiram Park.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 12, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 5.32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:


Wendelin Taylor, Asst. Fiscal Officer

Approved:


Chris Szell, Chairperson