

Tuscora Park Board Meeting December 19, 2018

The meeting was called to order at Noon by board President, Mike Ernest.

Present were members Tom Farbizo, Jan McInturf, Courtney Shalosky and Phil Tidrick

Excused were Dave Frantz, Bill Morgan and Jim Parrish

Guests were Mayor Joel Day, Parks and Recreation Department Superintendent Rod Miller, Chase Hostetler, Assistant Parks Superintendent and Aimee May, Council Representative

Tom Farbizo made a motion to accept the October 17, 2018 meeting minutes. Jan McInturf seconded the motion. **Motion Passed**

New Business....

It was reported that Christmas in the Park was a huge hit! \$1,351.00 was raised for Big Brothers/Big Sisters from hotdog sales. A wooden sculptured bear was raffled with Wes Haver being the winner and \$250 being raised. Mike Ernest won the Nativity Scene that also was raffled which raised \$175. Both the bear and nativity scene earnings went to the Tuscora Park Foundation.

As a fundraiser for the Tuscora Park Foundation, a pancake breakfast will be held February 9, 2019 from 7-11 a.m.

It was reported that a net profit of \$1,178.67 was raised at the BBQ Luncheon held on October 26, 2018 for the Tuscora Park Foundation.

Rainbow Connection is funding the handicapped fishing pier to be installed off the Al Maloney Drive at Tuscora Park at a total cost of \$14,880.00.

Old Business....

As for the restoration of the carousel organ, \$50-60,000 was raised with \$40-45,000 going to make the necessary organ repairs and the balance of funds to go towards necessary repairs on other park rides.

Tom Farbizo will contact Benchmark Construction to determine the completion date on the tennis shed renovation.

Construction will begin in January, 2019 on the boat ramps at the old Carlisle canoe livery and at the waterworks field. The grant from Clean Ohio has a June 30th, 2019 completion date.

The Mayor reported that application that the Tuscora Park Foundation will need to reapply for Clean Ohio grant money for the Southside Community Park. Jennifer Kline at the Ohio Public Works Commission informed the foundation that it is not eligible to receive grant money until it has a Federal ID number for its non-profit status. The Mayor said Congressman Bob Gibbs' office is helping to speed up the process of receiving the ID number from the IRS. He said that once it has the number, the foundation can reapply for the grant money in February of 2019.

With no further business to discuss, Jan McInturf made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Courtney Shalosky. **Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.**

NEXT PARK BOARD MEETING is Wednesday, January 16, 2019.