

Tuscora Park Board Meeting February 16th, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm by Vice-President Jim Range.

In Attendance: Tom Farbizo, Phil Tidrick, Denver Gallentine, Jan McInturf, Jim Range

Excused: Bill Morgan, Dave Frantz, Courtney Shalosky

Guests: Mayor Joel Day, Rod Miller, Ron McAbier, Mitch Pace, Chase Hostetler, Lacy Bartley (Tuscarawas County Public Library), Jeff Kinsey (Class of 1973)

Approval of January 19, 2022 Meeting Minutes:

1st / Tom Farbizo 2nd / Jim Range Vote: Unanimous

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Day reported that repairs on all rides will be complete by May. Reports on prices, etc. will be given at the next meeting.

Park Director's Report:

Park Director Rod Miller reported that work to replace the floor in the Park Pavilion dining hall will begin on Monday, February 21st. The project will cost around \$35,000 from the Park budget.

Tuscora Park Foundation:

The Tuscora Park Foundation pancake breakfast will be held Saturday, February 19th from 7-11am. Tickets will be \$5 each.

Old Business:

Jeff Kinsey, representing the NPHS Class of 1973, made a request to the Park Board to show the names of the 51 contributors on the arms of the swing that the group is donating to the park, however, the board had decided at the January meeting that no names would be listed on the swing.

Tom Farbizo gave an update on funding for the Pickleball Courts. The Rea Foundation donated \$5,000 toward the project and the Reeves Foundation has donated \$50,000. \$138,283.73 has been received so far. Applications will also be sent to the Kimble Foundation, Rosenberry Foundation, and the T-Mobile Hometown Grant.

Renovations to the high school baseball fields and funding to replace the restrooms near the tennis courts are currently on hold.

The board discussed having the City's park signs updated to be uniform. The signs to be updated would include Southside Community Park, Tuscora Park, Waterworks Ball Fields, and Crider Avenue Nature Trail. Discussion will be continued at a later date.

New Business:

Park Board President Jan McInturf made a motion to limit guest speakers to 2. The motion was seconded by Tom Farbizo and passed unanimously.

The stadium will be closed to the public after the state track meet to allow New Philadelphia City Schools to complete the resurfacing and renovation project for the track.

Other Business:

Lacey Bartley from the Tuscarawas County Public Library approached the board to request permission to hold a pop-up library at Southside Community Park. The library would set up for approximately 2-3 hours every 2 weeks and would have materials for both children and adults. A motion to approve the request was made by Jim Range and seconded by Denver Gallentine. The motion passed.

Motion For Adjournment: 1st / Tom Farbizo 2nd / Phil Tidrick

Meeting Adjourned at 1:07 p.m.

The next meeting will be held March 16, 2022.

~Meeting Minutes submitted by Phil Tidrick