



Tuscora Park Board Meeting February 21st, 2024

Meeting called to order by Park Board Vice President Jim Range at 12:00 pm

Members Present: Tom Farbizo, Jim Range, Phil Tidrick, Courtney Shalosky, Kelly Ricklic

Excused Absences: Jan McInturf, Bill Morgan, Todd McMath

Guests: Mitch Pace, Tim Fortney, Rod Miller

Approval of the January 17th, 2024, Meeting Minutes:

1st: Tom Farbizo

2nd: Kelly Ricklic

Motion carried.

Park Director Report:

Park Director Rod Miller reported that he has received inquiries about renting the pickleball courts for tournaments. It was determined that the Park Board would approve the requests on a case-by-case basis. United Way will likely look to hold a tournament Labor Day weekend.

Phase 1 of the restrooms by the tennis courts, which consists of the inside work, is nearly complete. Phase 2 will consist of the outside of the building.

Tuscora Park Foundation:

The next pancake breakfast will be held on Saturday, March 16th from 8-11 a.m. at the Tuscora Park Pavilion.

The Tuscora Park Foundation is working on plans to sponsor a pickleball tournament this summer, possibly on Saturday, June 15th or Sunday, June 16th.

Old Business:

Mitch Pace, Kelly Ricklic, and Tom Farbizo said that the new fencing has been installed at Fields 1 & 2 and the Field 1 scoreboard is up. The "Turf to Play" fundraiser to help fund the infield turf installation has begun and will end August 1st. The Quaker Club has voted to increase prices for smaller adds on the Field 1 scoreboard.

Plans for the proposed Tribute Wall at Tuscora Park are currently on hold.

New Business:

Mitch Pace gave an update on the spring Trout Derby, which will be held on April 27th. \$9,500 has been raised for the derby to date. Several food trucks are planned for the event and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources will be present. A media blitz will begin March 1st. The Soap Box Derby regional races and the Middle School County Classic track meet will also be held at/around the park that day.

NPCS Athletic Director Tim Fortney gave an update on repairs to the bleachers on the home side at Woody Hayes Quaker Stadium. The bleachers in the D section will be removed in the beginning of March. The repairs will take approximately 90 days to complete at a cost of \$329,000.

Mr. Fortney also asked the board about the possibility of allowing the Cross Country team to practice at Southside Community Park.

Motion to allow NPHS Cross Country to use Southside Community Park for a practice area.

1st: Kelly Ricklic

2nd: Tom Farbizo

Motion passed.

Other Business:

The new signage at New Philadelphia's parks have almost all been installed.

Motion to Adjourn:

1st: Tom Farbizo

2nd: Courtney Shalosky

~ Meeting Minutes submitted by Phil Tidrick