



Tuscora Park Board Meeting March 17, 2021

The Tuscora Park board meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m.

Members in Attendance: Jan McInturf, Tom Farbizo, Jim Range, Dave Frantz, Courtney Shalosky, and Phil Tidrick

Excused Absence: Bill Morgan, and Denver Gallentine

Guests in Attendance: Rod Miller, Chase Hostetler, Tara Howard, and Joe Croft.

Approval of January 20, 2021 Meeting Minutes:

1st: Tom Farbizo

2nd: Courtney Shalosky

Vote: Passed unanimously

Park Director's Report:

Park Director Rod Miller stated that he is currently getting the park ready for spring. They have started spring cleanup at Tuscora Park and the ball fields. Spring sports will be starting soon, and the Southside Community Park is nearing completion.

Guest Tara Howard, representing Race Street Riders, joined the meeting to discuss ideas for the New Philadelphia Skate Park. Tara Howard owns her own skating business and would like to donate to the New Philadelphia Skate Park for much needed repairs. Tara is going to set up a meeting with Mayor Day and Ron McAbier to discuss her ideas further.

Mayor's Report:

none

Park Place Teen Center Report:

none

Old Business:

The Southside Community Park is progressing well. The bridges are complete but are awaiting final inspection. The Dog Park is nearing completion and a decision has been made to supply dog waste bags for purchase. The Butterfly Garden has not been started yet, but it will only take about 10 days to construct once started.

The purchase of the Southside Basketball court was closed upon on February 18th, 2021. Vasco Sports will be completing the repairs to these courts and will begin in April or May. To replace the backboard, rims, and nets, it will cost \$1,500.00 per hoop, so with 3 courts these repairs will total \$9,000.00.

A Grand Opening has been scheduled for the Southside Park on June 19th, 2021. This grand opening will be a Chicken BBQ from 11am-2pm. So far, McInturf Realty, We Love Pets, and Alban Title are sponsoring the event.

Dave Frantz reported that the Woody Hayes Quaker Stadium lease between the City and the New Philadelphia School District has been an ongoing discussion, but they are finally getting closer to an agreement.

New Business:

Guest Joe Croft reported that they are still planning to have the Summer Showcase and First Town Days Festival, but the plans will be revised this year based off of the Covid-19 restrictions mandated by the State of Ohio. The First Town Days Festival is planned to take place July 1st-July 4th.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned on a motion from Tom Farbizo and seconded by Dave Frantz.

Meeting minutes submitted by Phil Tidrick.