

PARKS MEETING

January 20, 2016

Meeting called to order at 6:33 p.m.

Members Present: Marty Hura, Don Buchert, Randy Weaver, Giles

Members Absent: Ashlee Hawkins motion to excuse Ashlee- by Randy second by Don all yeas

Others Present: Mayor Clark, Paula Tubalkain, Greg Balbierz

Motion to accept the minutes by Giles second by Marty both yeas

Motion to have Marty be chair by Don second by Giles all yeas

Mayor stated she was sorry but she has not contacted the ball teams yet. She will try and get it done before the next meeting.

Marty asked about the split rail fence. Mayor stated that Kate plans to use the fence on the north side of High to repair the fencing on the south side. It had been taken down during the bridge work and Kates's crew were going to move it and next thing she realized was that the county and put it back up.

Mayor stated that she and Ashlee have come up with a sample survey to be put in the next Mantua Manners, possibly the Community Journal and the Villager. Mayor said Ashlee has it and it was shared with DMRC for their input. Mayor will make sure we have it at the next meeting so it can be posted.

Don mentioned that he saw where there are 5 large stones on the north east side of the river (by Buckeye) and thought one of those would work for the one we need to replace on the trail bridge that someone had pushed into the river. Mayor going to bring the fence and stone up to Kate. Don also brought up putting a camera across the River.

Discussed that Portage Parks is going to be applying for a grant from ODNR to make enhancements and put in new limestone from Garrettsville to Mantua. Village is sending a letter of support, but is there more we might want to do. Marty and the Mayor are going to a meeting on Jan 26 in Garrettsville to get more details. Like see what it might cost for the Village to get on board for limestone for the Village what would be the cost etc.

Randy brought up about the canoe turn around. Does our crew have time to get this started now? Is Camp Hi still on board to help? Can the crew get it staked out and do the digging, but leave all the dirt down. Mayor will talk with Kate.

Greg B. made a presentation to the committee (see attachment).

Review of what he said. Application for a mini grant for some river improvements (cleaning up dead brush in river and by the Matt Rd Bridge). Promote more of the activities regarding the trails and park.

DMRC received a mini grant from Western Reserve and Dominion for water shed improvements and Kiosk upgrades. DMRC team would like to assist in updating the Villages web page to best promote the Village as a destination point (the trails, businesses and park. Also the locations of the Kiosks and trail signage. Committee said that they are good ideas and they want to consider them.

Motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. by Marty second by Randy all yeas