

**PARKS BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
July 19, 2023  
6:30 PM**

Nina Schroeder called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Don Buchert, Marty Hura, Chuck Peterson, Nina Schroeder, Cookie Vanek

**Other Village Personnel Present:** Council President Tammy Meyer, Councilman Steve Thorn

**Citizens/Others Present:** Downtown Mantua Revitalization Corporation Liaison Phil Rath

- ❖ Motion to approve June 21, 2023 minutes made by Don, seconded by Cookie; all “ayes.”

**Old Business:**

- Phase 4 updates were shared:
  - Ground was broken at Buchert Park, and the Service Department determined cause for the heaving concrete strip between basketball courts.
- Phase 5 updates were shared:
  - The grant application was submitted to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources prior to CT Consultants terminating their agreement with the Village, and CT will work through the end of July.
- Drawings requested by the board - those showing depth/locations of underground utilities at the park (to help establish potential locations for restrooms) - are inaccessible/unavailable, per Village Administrator Ryan Klemm.
  - Ryan will connect with Ian Jones, architect/member of the Historic Landmark Commission, about renderings for restrooms.
- Processes related to grants, interagency agreements, and project proposals were briefly reviewed.

**New Business:**

- Prompts from a draft Memorandum of Understanding were answered. Using the restrooms project as a template for future project discussions, the board brainstormed at length to
  - identify criteria the board/other committees may require of future project proposals/presentations, to set mutual expectations and to consider, rationalize, and plan for shared projects most efficiently;
  - justify the construction of restrooms at Buchert Park and rationalize why the Village has an obligation to facilitate the project;
  - weigh possible outcomes, risks, costs, revenue streams, community engagement opportunities, fiscal and in-kind commitments, etc. related to the construction of restrooms.
- ❖ Motion to adjourn at 7:23 p.m. made by Nina, seconded by Don; all “ayes.”