

CITY OF PIQUA, OHIO  
PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, June 2, 2010 - 7:00 P.M.  
Municipal Government Complex

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Cathy Oda, Patty Vogt, Deb Osborne, Andrew Higgins, Denise Uhlenbrock, Keith Grau and Jim Cruse

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Michelle Herndon

**STAFF PRESENT:** Rob Stanford, Recreation Coordinator,

**GUEST PRESENT:** Brad Boehringer, Kevin Pryfogle, Russ Fashner, Dave Comolli, Paul Stiefel, Edna Steifel, Lori Motter, Nancy Allen, Melissa Leingang, Regina Favorite and Judy Terry

(Note: Meeting location was moved to Municipal Government Complex due to severe weather)

**ITEM NO. 1: CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

Rob Stanford called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

**ITEM NO. 2: APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

It was moved by Jim Cruse and seconded by Drew Higgins to accept the minutes from the meetings held on May 5, 2010 with one spelling correction. The motion carried unanimously.

**INTRODUCTIONS:**

Introductions were held due to the large number of guests present.

**ITEM NO. 3: RECREATION UPDATE**

Rob Stanford stated that we have roughly 15 tickets left for each of our two dates for the Dayton Dragons, July 1<sup>st</sup> and August 8<sup>th</sup>. He stated that the Triathlon would be Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup> and that we would try to promote the event as an easier event that is good for those looking to start into the sport. Finally he reminded everyone of the car show and asked for their support in promoting it.

Rob Stanford updated the Board on the status of repairs to the pool and stated that attendance was great for an opening weekend thanks to warm weather.

**ITEM NO. 4: PARKS UPDATE AND REPORT**

Rob Stanford reported on behalf of Doug Harter that the renovations at Hance were moving along and that the project should be complete by the end of the month.

Rob Stanford also reported that the bids came in for Mote, but that two had to be thrown out as incomplete and the third was too high. He said the project will be rebid.

**ITEM NO. 5: LEVY DISCUSSION**

After discussion and review of possible survey questions, a meeting was set for Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 at the Fountain Park Dining Hall for the committee to establish a survey.

**ITEM NO. 6: OTHER BUSINESS**

Representatives from the North Parks Neighborhood Association brought three issues to the Board's attention. First is a hole located between Hance Pavilion and the playground. The second was linear park signs being thrown into the canal. The final one was a request to update the city's website with new pictures for Das and Kiwanis Parks. The North Parks representatives also requested that we find out if there is any water source going into Kiwanis Park for a possible drinking fountain.

Jim Cruse asked why the restrooms were not being unlocked on the weekends. Rob Stanford informed everyone that due to budget constraints, staffing levels have been reduced and all staff are needed to accomplish the amount of work required during the week. In order to have them unlock the restrooms on weekends, it would be on overtime which is not permitted. Patty Vogt asked why the Police Dept can't do this.

Cathy Oda informed the Board of the Eagle Scout Ceremony on Sunday for Landon Brockman and stated that the Park Board was invited to attend.

Paul Steifel recommended that we consider trying to advertise Piqua as a car town. With the major car show and other events, he feel it would be a good fit.

Several Park Board members and guests discussed the possibility of having volunteers help with mowing and maintenance of parks. It was asked that Rob Stanford look into this possibility.

Rob Stanford distributed flyers for the Car Show and requested assistance in getting the word out about the event.

**ITEM NO. 7: NEXT MEETING DATE AND LOCATION**

The next meeting was set for July 7 to be held at 7:00pm at Kiwanis Park.

**ITEM NO. 8: ADJOURN**

Jim Cruse motioned and Keith Grau seconded to adjourn, the motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Minutes as prepared by Rob Stanford