

**CITY OF PIQUA, OHIO
PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, April 2, 2014 - 7:00 P.M.
Public Works Conference Room**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Cruse, Al Cooper, Steve Frazier, Kazy Hinds, Cathy Oda, Christopher Kolsky, and Edna Stiefel

STAFF PRESENT: Doug Harter

ITEM NO. 1: CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 7:06 P.M.

ITEM NO. 2: APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting held on December 4, 2013 was approved.

ITEM NO. 3: Park Board Goals

Since the last three meetings had to be cancelled, we found it necessary to put off several goals until the fall meetings. Those goals are rental fees for park buildings and changes to leases for the youth sports associations.

ITEM NO. 4: Other Business

- 1.) Steve Frazier suggested we have a Park Board member attend the sport teams' Board meetings.
- 2.) The group feels the City should eventually hire a Recreation Director.
- 3.) We need to begin to make plans for the Skate Park Day, June 21st. Jim Cruse will contact the gentleman from Troy that was in charge last year.
- 4.) We will plan earlier for the Halloween Hayride on the Bike Path.
- 5.) May 10th will be Opening Day for the youth baseball at Pitsenbarger Park.
- 6.) Discussed many ideas for fund raising, 5-10 K Run, sell funnel cakes or wings during the Bike Festival in late September. Another idea presented by new member Chris Kolskey was some type of music festival. Perhaps we could get supplies from the pool vendor to sell during one of the festivals. It was also suggested we could enlist the owner of Piqua Guitar for help and ideas. Chris knows several bands that could perform; perhaps we could share the proceeds with the Rehabilitation Center and use our share for the Handicap Park.

ITEM NO. 5: Mote Park Building

Al Cooper reported he has a quote from Ace hardware for the exterior paint for the Mote Park Building for \$1,200.00 and Mr. Harter thought the City could do the painting. This is a tremendous savings.

ITEM NO. 6: Dog Park

Edna Steifel told the group the dog park is planned for Armco Field. Mr. Harter reported that for now the plans are for a small parking lot but no fencing, just an open area. Our members didn't think this would be a success without fencing.

ITEM NO. 7: Handicap Playground

Mr. Harter reported that the City needs to raise \$10,000 for our part of the contribution.

ITEM NO. 8: Youth Baseball Fields

Mr. Harter told the group he has spoken with the Baseball Association and has agreed to spray all the fences for weed and grass control. The Baseball Association will pay for the chemicals.

ITEM NO. 9: NEXT MEETING DATE & LOCATION

Next meeting will be held at the Fountain Park Dining Hall on Wednesday, May 7, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

ITEM NO. 10: ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

Minutes as prepared by Tammy Wright.