

CITY OF PIQUA, OHIO  
PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, March 1, 2017, 7:00 P.M.  
City Commission Chambers

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Eddie Harvey, Lloyd Shoemaker, Steve Frazier, Cathy Oda, Jim Cruse, Edna Stiefel and Chris Kolsky

**STAFF PRESENT:** Brian Brookhart

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

President Eddie Harvey called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M.

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

The minutes were approved by all members.

**ITEM NO. 3: APPOINTMENT OF ONE MEMBER TO THE GOLF BOARD**

Edna Stiefel nominated Lloyd Shoemaker. Jim Cruse seconded and all the members approved the appointment.

**ITEM NO. 4: MASTER PLAN FOR PARKS**

Brian Brookhart informed the group that the Master Plan is ongoing. The response from the community has been very good and there will be meetings held sometime in April or May.

**ITEM NO. 5: SHAWNEE PLAYGROUND**

Lloyd Shoemaker asked about the condition of the playground since it is closed. Brian informed that there is some damage to the equipment and he is waiting for the information from the equipment company as to the cost of the parts needed. There was also discussion regarding the small area and possibility moving to a larger site.

**ITEM NO. 6: DAS PARK**

Edna Stiefel informed the members of a meeting of the Friends of the Piqua Parks and the Four Season Garden Club at the city building on March 7<sup>th</sup> to discuss improvements by the two groups on the landscaping.

**ITEM NO. 7: HANCE PAVILION**

Lloyd Shoemaker asked about the raccoon problem. Brian advised the work to eradicate the raccoons will begin shortly.

**ITEM NO. 8: DOG PARK**

Steve Frazier told Brian that Ashley Hope has the funds available to build the park. Brian said he had been unable to contact her. He gave Steve his business card for Ashley and asked that she call him.

**ITEM NO. 9: WATER FOUNTAINS**

Edna Stiefel asked if the new fountains have been installed. Some have and more will be in the near future. The City is working on repairing the one at the square.

**ITEM NO. 10: HERITAGE GREEN**

Brian reported the ground light under the flag has been vandalized several times. The City recently attached a solar light to the top of the flag pole to solve the problem.

**ITEM NO. 11: DOWNTOWN TREES**

The members all felt the trees downtown are too tall and full. Lloyd also felt it would be more attractive if the Christmas lights were left up through March to brighten the downtown during the winter months and the members agreed.

**ITEM NO. 12: PUBLIC POOL**

Edna Stiefel asked how well the pool income was in 2016. Brian said due to the great hot, dry summer last year the pool did far better than in the past.

**ITEM NO. 13: HOLLOW PARK**

Brian informed the members the house is still empty. A new furnace needs to be installed and a few more repairs then hopefully a City employee will move in. For the time being the gates are left unlock all night.

**ITEM NO. 14: NEXT MEETING DATE & LOCATION**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 7, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. at the Piqua Community Pool.

**ITEM NO. 15: ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 P.M.

Minutes as prepared by Tammy Wright.