



Meeting Minutes for Working Meeting of the Park District of Ottawa County

Date: 10/16/2020

Time: 9:00 AM

1. Call to Order by Gary Kohli
2. Roll Call
 - a. Gary Kohli – Chairman Present -Y
 - b. Angela LeForce – Secretary Present - Y
 - c. Mike Shadoan – Treasurer Not Present
 - d. Judy Indorf Present - Y
 - e. Jack Madison Present – Y - Joined 9:11 AM
 - f. Others:
 - i. Linda Amos Present - Y
 - ii. Michael Bassett Not Present
 - iii. Beki Hine line Present - Y
 - iv. Denny Patthoff Present - Y
 - v. Becky Quisno Not Present

3. Minutes for approval:



OCPD Meeting
Minutes October 2, 2020

Gary Kohli moved to approve the October 2, 2020 minutes.

Angela LeForce seconded the motion to approve the October 2, 2020 minutes.

A vote was held to approve the minutes with the following outcome:

Gary Kohli – Yes
Angela LeForce – Yes
Jack Madison – Not Present for vote
Mike Shadoan – Not Present for vote
Judy Indorf – Yes

The motion carries

4. Fiscal Report: Treasurer not present – No update

5. Tax Levy Campaign:

Gary Kohli suggested the Levy Committee take postcards to the Visitors' Bureau – Judy Indorf will do this.

Judy Indorf attended the Marblehead Village Council meeting on Wednesday Oct 14, 2020. Positive discussion with no negative comments.

Danbury Twp. Trustee meeting agenda for Wednesday Oct 14, 2020 is full.

Tom Bergman indicated that all Genoa council members are supportive of the levy so there isn't a need to attend their meeting.

Jack Madison met with Peter Houston on Put-in-Bay and will give him some signs.

a. The Levy Committee continues to progress our campaign.

- i. We continue to receive responses from our Solicitation Letter. To date we have received \$4105 in donations and have had \$2423.78 in expenses with a net balance of \$1681.22.
- ii. Beki Hine line has created a postcard for mailing to voters. We have 500 postcards to start and have 5000 on order. We will mail postcards until we run out of money.
- iii. We continue to see quite a bit of activity on our Facebook page and posts. This is an ongoing effort, so your input and ideas are welcome.
- iv. 625 people viewed the post Beki made of an image of our signs!

- v. All board members have been given a suggested vignette script. Thank you to Angela for recording hers and sending it to Becky Quisno to have pictures added to the audio and then posted on Facebook. We can help others record their vignettes if desired.
- vi. Thank you to those who have written a Letter of Support for the Levy Committee to use. Becky Quisno is developing a plan to send these to local papers.
- vii. Lots of activity placing large and yard signs in the area. All large signs are in place and we have ~50 yard signs remaining. Below is a summary of the locations of our large signs:
 1. Corner of 163, and 51 in Genoa – in place
 2. Corner of 163 and Genoa Clay Center Rd – in place
 3. Rt. 19 at Radiant Windows' Warehouse in Oak Harbor – in place
 4. 163 east of 53 in Danbury Twp. – in place
 5. Sand Rd on Catawba – in place
 6. NE Catawba Rd on Catawba, south and on the east side of the road just south of Twin Oast – in place
 7. 579 and Genoa Clay Center Rd – believe in place (Tom Bergman)
 8. Rt 2 near Lake Erie Business Park (in place – Tom Bergman)
 9. Perry St in Port Clinton – in place
 10. Marblehead area – need a location
 11. Elmore, corner of 51 and 105 – in place
- viii. Status of informing the following contacts of the Park District's levy:
 - Linda and Jack have talked to Mayor Mike Snyder of Port Clinton and he is very supportive
 - Judy has talked to Diane Rozak, Danbury Trustee and while she is not against the levy her priority is the Danbury Fire Levy
 - Judy will contact Diane Rozak to determine if anyone could attend their trustee meeting to discuss the levy
 - Judy talked to John Starcher, Marblehead Councilperson and will attend their October 14, 2020 meeting
 - Judy also contacted Tom Bergman, Mayor of Genoa to determine if they have an upcoming meeting that we could attend to discuss the levy
 - Gary will talk to the Port Clinton, Catawba and Put-in-Bay Park Committees
 - Jack will talk to John Paul Dress, Danbury Twp. Trustee
 - Gary/Jack will talk to Peter Houston from the Put-in-Bay Gazette

Below is a summary of the meetings we will be attending:

- Harris-Elmore and Genoa Library Voter Forum – October 13, 2020 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM via Zoom – Gary Kohli and Judy Indorf
 - Marblehead Village Council – Wednesday October 14, 2020 6:00 PM – Judy Indorf
 - Elmore Kiwanis – Wednesday October 14, 2020 – Gary Kohli and Linda Amos
 - Oak Harbor Rotary Club – October 27, 2020 7:30 AM at Oak Harbor Golf Course – Gary Kohli, Linda Amos and Judy Indorf
 - Port Clinton City Council – Tuesday October 27, 2020 7:30 PM –
 - Port Clinton Rotary Club – November 2020 – Gary Kohli
- b. Website - Doug Rogers has finished making our requested changes to our website.
 1. Confirm we want to upload our minutes to the site.
 2. We also have two forms on the website – one to contact us to volunteer and one to request Zoom information to participate in our meetings. Currently, this form would go to Judy's email. Should we create an email account for the Park District? It will need to be monitored if created.
 - c. We have received the certification of our levy ballot issue from the State of Ohio Board of Elections. The Ohio State Board of Elections has revised the ballot language. After discussions with the Trust for Public Land and the Ottawa County BOE, we agreed to leave the language as revised by the State.

4. New Business:

- a. We received a request from ODOT to pass a resolution to support the designation of US Bike Route 30 and State Bike Route 90. Status?
 - i. Suggest:
 1. Park District Board discuss and confirm our support – confirmed we support at our last meeting
 2. If supportive, communicate our support to the Ottawa County Commissioners and
 3. Work with the Commissioners to pass the resolution that Ottawa County supports the designation.
- b. Agreed at our September 18, 2020 meeting that we would be interested in discussing with Mike Libben, the transfer of property from the Ottawa Soil and Water Conservation District to the Park District for our management as a wetlands area when we pass our levy.

5. Current Efforts:

The board asked if anyone knew when the Elmore to Genoa trail extension would open and if there is an opening ceremony. No one had this information.

Linda Amos has a draft of our Letter of Interest for ODOT's Transportation Alternatives Program funding nearly complete and will circulate it for comments.

a. North Coast Inland Trail/Genoa/Millbury:

- i. Linda will develop the Letter of Interest for the ODOT Transportation Alternative Program when it goes live on October 1, 2020. The Letter of Interest will be due October 31, 2020. Letters of Interest will be reviewed during November to confirm eligibility. The TAP application link will go live December 1, 2020 and applications will be due January 31, 2021. We may be able to use Federal DNR funds for the match budget.
- ii. Angela is working with Tom Bergman and Linda to prepare for submitting the Letter of Interest.
- iii. West Erie Realty is willing to provide an appraisal for the Genoa to Millbury trail land.
- iv. We have received a letter from Wood County Park District indicating their intention to work with us to develop and construct the trail as well as fund the portion of the development .
- v. Any update?

b. Magsig Farm: next step to contact ODOT; Judy sent L.J. Overmeyer an email on June 1, 2020 and hasn't received a response.

It was noted that L.J. is very busy with his business. We will wait until he has time to work with us on the development of the Magsig Farm. We will also ask if he can provide the names of Boy Scout parents to inform them of the levy. Any update?

c. Friends of The Ottawa Co. Park District (FoOCPD):

- i. The event at Gideon Owen on July 9, 2020 at 6:30 PM went well. The sign-in sheet has been put in an Excel spreadsheet.
- ii. TPL continues to move forward with a possible purchase of the land north of the Rt. 269 and Rt. 163 intersection west of Fort Firelands, with the intention to have the Park District manage it. We would need to leave all but 10% of it as wetlands. Denny requested we think about a name for the land.

e. Portage River Water Trail

- i. Expected designation as a water trail in 2021
- ii. The grant request for construction of a boat access at the County Fairgrounds was declined.

f. Rt. 163 and Englebeck Rd. Roundabout

- i. The Public Comment Period ended September 21, 2020 for the proposed roundabout at the intersection of Rt. 163 and Englebeck Rd. Is there any further action we need to take at this time?

g. Danbury Twp/Lafarge:

- i. Any update?

6. Adjournment:

Judy Indorf moved we adjourn

Jack Madison seconded the motion

Meeting Adjourned

Next regular meeting will be **November 6, 2020**

Next working meeting will be **November 20, 2020**

1st Friday= regular meetings
Room 109 Telephone 734-6762.

3rd Friday=working meetings
*Denotes Action Item