

Perry County Park District Board Meeting- Regular Meeting November 8, 2021 3:30pm Hoover Center Theater - 125 E Main St, Glenford, OH

Mr. Moore called the November 8, 2021 Regular Meeting to order at 3:36pm.

I. Roll Call

Present: Scott Moore; Fred Redfern; Tami McAdams. Absent: Guests: Glenford Mayor-Leonard (Brownie) Sheppard; Glenford resident-Star Ours; Judge Luann Cooperrider; Glenford resident & PCPD Volunteer Naturalist-Jessie Bennett; Glenford resident-Caleb Bennett;

- II. Comments from the Public/guests discussion with village/township/park managers
 - A. Jessie Bennett (PCPD volunteer naturalist)

Ms. Bennett introduced herself and provided a summary of her experience as a park naturalist with the Johnny Appleseed Metroparks in Lima, Ohio. Ms. Bennett has been a PCPD volunteer for approximately one month and has assisted with Facebook posts and has developed a diverse plan of potential public programs for 2022 for the Park District. Possible program venues include Perry County Library System, Scouts, Zoom, schools, senior centers, and parks around the county. She is ready to move forward with winter programs in the new year at the libraries and via Zoom.

B. Community Parks - Needs (village/township leaders)

Glenford Mayor Brownie Sheppard welcomed the Park District Board to Glenford and offered the use of their meeting space for meetings or events in the future. The Mayor described a future park project the Village was considering for the corner of Rts 757 and 204. The vision is to create a wetlands park in this low-lying property, with observation areas and a possible pedestrian bridge across Jonathan Creek, east of 757, to create a safe walking path to the park from the main Village area. Possible grant opportunities were discussed.

- III. Request for additional/revised agenda items Mr. Redfern added discussion of Perry County Travel Magazine Ad to new business (VII- D) Agenda accepted as revised.
- IV. Approval of Minutes
 - A. October 18, 2021 Meeting Minutes
 Mr. Redfern moved, Ms. McAdams seconded to approve the October 18, 2021 Regular meeting minutes.
 Motion carried by unanimous vote
- V. Financial Status of Park District and Approval of Revenue and Expenses
 - A. October 2021 -Revenue and Expenses
 Mr. Redfern moved, Ms. McAdams seconded to approve the October 2021 Financial Report. Motion carried by unanimous vote
- VI. Old Business
 - A. 2022 Seasonal Hire

The Board further discussed the plan for seeking a seasonal hire for 2022 for programming, marketing and events.

B. 2022 Budget - update (Moore)

The Board reviewed the draft budget proposal. No changes made. Mr. Moore will submit the proposal to Mr. Taylor of the County Commissioner's Office

- C. Vacant board positions update (Moore/Judge Cooperrider) Mr. Moore and Judge Cooperrider advised they had spoken and confirmed that the Board could move forward with three members at this time and fill the two vacant positions during 2022.
- D. OPRA memberships for Moore and Redfern

Ms. McAdams confirmed that payment for OPRA 2021-22 memberships for Mr. Moore and Mr. Redfern was sent out on November 5, 2021.

- E. County Commissioner related updates (Moore/McAdams)
 - 1. Results of Commissioners Meeting

Mr. Moore gave a summary of the recent (date) meeting with the Perry County Commissioners. All three Commissioners were in attendance. Mr. Moore and Ms. McAdams reviewed the Park District's proposed budget with the Commissioners, summarized the Park District's 2022 planning with "needs survey" and assistance to park systems in the county, expected tourism related expenses and requests for lodging tax funds, and described program and event plans for 2022.

- Lodging Tax fund requests (responses to website & 911 signage requests -requests submitted Sept 22)
 - a) No approvals have been received from the commissioners for the 911/address signage or website fee requests submitted in September.
 - b) Ohio Appalachian Country membership to submit request after have a phone number
 - c) Tecumseh Theater-Interpretive Signage -Scott Kreps- Ms. McAdams reached back out to set up a meeting with him to discuss the potential for partnering to assist with developing a consistent style for historic and ecotourism interpretation signage in Shawnee. He offered several potential meeting dates on Saturday afternoons: Nov 20, Dec 4, or Dec 11. Board members checked their schedules and found that only Dec 11 works. Ms. McAdams will contact Mr. Kreps and arrange the meeting.
- F. Park address signage order/locations Update (Moore)
 - 1. Mr. Moore advised that the last time he spoke with Snider-Flautt Lumber the signs were still on backorder and the arrival date was still unknown. The Board discussed ordering the signs from another vendor, Action Signs if the Snider-Flautt order didn't come through. It was mentioned that to order from Action Signs, the address list will be needed when placing the order, since they pre-make the signs. It was suggested that possibly a boy or girl scout troop or OCVNs could install the signs as a service project.

Mr. Redfern moved, Ms. McAdams seconded to approve changing vendors for park address/911 signage to Action Signs in Newark, if it is confirmed the signs are not going to be available via Snider-Flautt Lumber. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- G. Community Parks Needs Survey
 - 1. Survey https://pcparkdistrict.tiny.us/2021-Perry-County-parks-survey
 - 2. New survey requests were sent to Crooksville, Glenford, Somerset, Thornville, Roseville, Corning in early November. Responses have been received from five communities so far.
 - 3. Ms. McAdams will continue to send out the survey requests to community leaders.

VII. New Business

A. VOIP Phone Line through Perry Co IT

Ms. McAdams relayed information from Perry County IT John Yinger regarding getting a phone number through the county's system. It will be voice mail only (no physical phone line) and voice mails can be retrieved via phone-in or possibly can be emailed to the Park District's email address. The cost is expected to be \$8 or less per month. This will provide the Park District with a phone number and voicemail box that is directly accessible, instead of using the County Recycling's number.

Ms. McAdams moved, Mr. Redfern seconded to approve requesting a VOIP phone number through Perry County IT Department. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- B. Upcoming Events
 - 1. Soil & Water Winter Hike at Glenford Confirmed with them there will be a winter hike, but no date has been set yet. Will be held in January or February
 - 2. PCPD winter programs in planning stages. Ludowici Factory of Ideas available for meetings & programs in 2022, free of charge. Audio visual equipment provided (big screen Smart TV/Display). Judge Cooperrider felt she could be ready to present her new true crime lecture by February or March, "The 22 Caliber Killers". Because the perpetrators were from the Glenford area, it was discussed to hold the first presentation there, at the Hoover Center Theater. Mayor Sheppard agreed and said the venue would be available for Park District use.
- C. Meeting Locations planning ahead
 - 1. December Somerset Courthouse
 - 2. January {annual organizational meeting} Somerset Courthouse
 - 3. February Somerset Courthouse

D. Perry County Chamber of Commerce Travel Magazine Ad

The Board discussed purchasing an advertisement in the 2022 Perry County Travel Magazine to enhance the Park District's outreach in the community and assist with the Park District's tourism efforts in Perry County.

Ms. McAdams moved, Mr. Redfern seconded to approve the purchase of a ¹/₈ page advertisement at a cost of \$175 in the 2022 Perry County Travel Magazine, published by the Perry County Chamber of Commerce. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Ms. McAdams will contact the Chamber for details, set up the purchase order and begin a draft advertisement for Board members to review and work on.

VIII. Adjournment

Ms. McAdams moved, Mr. Redfern seconded to adjourn. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned at 5:27 pm

Next Regular Meeting - Monday December 13, 2021 3:30pm Location: Somerset Courthouse, 100 Public Square, Somerset OH 43783