

PARK BOARD

November 12, 2019

The November 12, 2019 Park Board meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers by Kenneth Wessler, Chairman. Park Board members present were Jon Blackburn, Kip Wentling, and Kenneth Wessler. Aaron Korte and Jack Leonard were absent.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Keith Niederkohr, Parks Manager; Aaron Weinandy, Scout Master Troop #777; Callan Pugh, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The following bills were presented and signed by the Park Board members:

	<u>PARK</u>	<u>GENERAL</u>
Payroll		124068.62
AT & T		933.18
AT & T		346.22
AT & T		244.55
AT & T		125.32
AT & T		105.27
AT & T		54.27
AT & T	39.22	
AEP Ohio		9974.14
AEP Ohio		3904.16
AEP Ohio		3755.60
AEP Ohio		36.71
AEP Ohio		30.73
Automated Petroleum	110.44	266.55
Automated Petroleum	308.99	1899.37
Automated Petroleum	113.23	452.91
Calpine		11874.21
Columbia Gas of Ohio		894.69
Evolution Ag	68.03	
Fox's Auto Body	2157.55	
Gottfried Electric	167.20	4317.30
Heritage Cooperative	284.18	182.20
Kerr's Automotive		933.58
North Branch Nursery		3518.00
Parsell Plumbing	81.70	
Parsell Plumbing		358.52
Peacock Water	12.50	
Wyandot Memorial Hospital	<u>47.24</u>	
Total	3390.28	<u>168276.10</u>

TOTAL BILLS: \$171,666.38

The minutes from the October 15, 2019 Park Board meeting were reviewed.

Mr. Aaron Weinandy, Scout Master Troop #777, requested permission for Boy Scout Troops in the district to camp out in Harrison Smith Park over the last weekend in April 2020 and utilize the white shelter house in conjunction with the event. Approximately 80 to 100 scouts along with some parents will be participating with the event beginning in the evening on Friday, April 24, 2020 and ending in the morning on Sunday, April 26, 2020. Participants will be camping in tents and they would like to also have camp fires. Park Board members voiced no objections to this request. Mr. Weinandy will contact Mr. Niederkohr prior to the event to discuss the details further.

Discussion was again held regarding the fees charged for shelter rentals. Shelters in all of parks are currently rented for \$30.00 each, or all three of the gazebos in Stepping Stones Park can be rented for \$45.00. Mr. Niederkohr explained the duties of the Park Department employees on the weekends in relation to the park shelters and noted that the current rental fees adequately cover the City's expenses for the Park Department employee who works on the weekend. It was noted that income for park shelters increased this year, with a significant increase in reservations for Bicentennial Park attributed to the new splash pad. Mr. Blackburn inquired with Mr. Niederkohr as to any upcoming repairs or improvements being planned for any of the park shelters. Mr. Niederkohr indicated that no major repairs are needed to any of the shelters at this time. Mr. Niederkohr noted that all of the windows in the white shelter were replaced this year and the white shelter will need to be painted sometime in the future. Park Board members indicated that they prefer to leave the cost of the shelter rentals as is.

Mr. Niederkohr thanked Walmart for a community grant that covered the cost of new shrubs and stone around the large pavilion in Stepping Stones Park and in the beds around the parking lot, and remaining money will be used to purchase mulch in the spring. Walmart employees helped plant the shrubs and lay the stone on November 6, 2019. Mr. Niederkohr also thanked the Daily Chief Union for its coverage of the event.

Mr. Niederkohr reported that the parks will be celebrating 100 years in 2020 and he welcomes input from the Park Board members as to celebration ideas.

It was noted that the set-up for the Winter Fantasy of Lights is on track and moving along.

Due to a lack of quorum, the meeting adjourned.

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Kenneth Wessler, Chairman