

Woodhull Twp. Park minutes
July 9th 2018

Call to order.

Open with the pledge of allegiance and prayer.

Roll call

Mr. Fred Kline - chairman
Mrs. Shelia Mendel - secretary
Mrs. Krista Colby - trustee
Mrs. Connie Henske - treasurer
Mrs. Paula Hill - trustee

Mrs. Paula Hill, absent.

Reviewed the June 11th 2018 minutes. Accepted as written.

The pavilion addition bids:

Two of the four contractors are unable to do the project at this time. The other two contractors will be contacted this month, maybe one of them can take on the project.

The Bees nest at the pavilion was removed.

Concerns of a tree next to the park fence and at property of Dwight Kittle. The tree needs to be cut down, for reasons of safety of his property. Fred Kline will contact Ken Cochran (local tree cutter) to cut the tree down. Motion carried.

John Mendel – (local painter) a bid to start prepping to paint five playground Spring rocker toys in the Fall and will be ready next Spring. Motion carried.

Paula Hill - plans to complete painting the back pavilion, after the high humidity and heat goes down.
Fred Kline - plans to scrap and paint all the grills this fall.

* Tabled until 2019:

Staining the picnic tables.
Painting the Swing set .

* possibly tabled until 2019:

Placing cement slabs under the ball field bleachers.
New Picnic area by the back ball field.

5 year plan for the park:

Krista Colby, has found a plan from the web for the process to apply for a DNR grant for the park. Additional, information from a meeting earlier this year that Phil Hathaway attended (Shiawassee county park commission).

Connie Henske, spoke with the Kay Nichols (Woodhull Twp. Supervisor) about more information needed for this application.

****There will be two open meetings held for Woodhull township residents to attend. The goal for these meetings are to hear suggestions from our community about improvements and/or additional items in the park. The suggestions will be considered for the process toward the "DNR 5 year plan" grant application, needed for these costly improvements and /or additional items.**

Dates as follows: Monday August 13th 2018 and Monday September 10th 2018.

Shelia Mendel will distribute more notifications for these meetings.

The regular park meetings are the second Monday of every month.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Guest attended:

Dwight Kittle

Mike Shaft

History moments:

Dwight Kittle – talked about how he suggestion the ball field to be made. He planted the yellow leafed maple tree at the corner of the driveway, at the park and he enjoyed being on the park committee at that time. Dwight's wife Barb (Oaks) family was one of the early settlers in the township.

Mike Shaft is currently writing a book about the history of Woodhull Township Park.

Mike mention to remind our Woodhull Township residents that we can continue purchasing a brick for the historical plaque displayed in front of the town hall. The Bricks are \$75 each. The order forms are at the town the hall. This is a great opportunity to dedicate a family's name on a brick at this special historical place.

Mike Shaft is passionate about the history in Shaftsburg. His family settled here in the 1800's. Mike's parents where both teachers at the Woodhull Township hall/school, and in (1909 -1910) his Grandmother Ethel (Colby) was also a teacher at Woodhull Township hall/school, Ethel later married John Shaft.

Dwight and Mike also shared fond memories of Ed Mendel and the VanRiper farms on Beard Rd.

Thank you Dwight and Mike.

Have a safe summer everyone!