

# Hiram Recreation & Park Board

Meeting Minutes  
Rosser Municipal Building  
11617 Garfield Road, Hiram OH 44234

**April 15, 2016**

**Park Board Members:**

Chris Szell, Chairperson  
Susan Merrill  
James McGee, Village Administrator

**Official Recorder:**

Wendelin Taylor, Assistant Fiscal Officer

**Others Present:**

Joe Bodnar, Aquila Architectural Group

**General:** Chris Szell called the meeting to order at 8:29 a.m. The minutes from the March 11, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Chris made a motion to accept minutes from the March meeting. James seconded. Joe Bodnar was introduced and he briefly explained why he was present. The topic of coordinating the gazebo project and other projects in the Old School Park will be addressed in New Business.

**Old Business:**

A. School Park Fund Raiser: A tentative date of July 23<sup>rd</sup> was selected. This date is contingent on the availability of Municipal Building front lawn. Susan Merrill will contact the Hiram Christian Church for permission to use the lawn and their parking lot.

B. Jagow Park: The mulch for the playground has been delivered. Weather permitting both the playground mulch and ballfield clay should be in place by the end of the month.

C. School Park Survey: Site survey has been approved by Finance. Chris will call surveyor to arrange actual work.

D. Nature Works: Reimbursement information has been submitted. Hopefully some funds will be received by the next meeting.

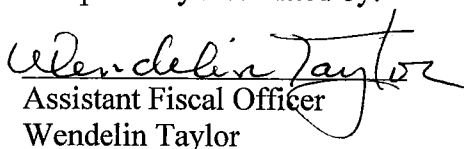
**New Business:**

A. Student Intern for Park and Cemetery Work: A discussion was held regarding the possibility of having an intern work during the summer for both the park and cemetery.

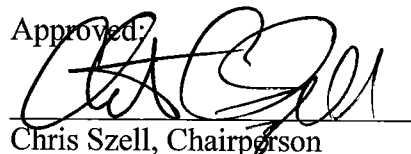
B. School Park Site Prep: There is still dirt that needs to be removed and the fence needs to be removed before Ohio Prairie comes in to seed. Any unwanted trees need to be removed as well. Chris will contact Ohio Prairie Nursery regarding a start date for the prairie area prep and planting. Joe Bodnar gave an overview of the need for coordination of the overall project as pertains to landscaping, structures and the construction of the play area. A question and answer session between the Commission and Mr. Bodnar concerning the project and site improvements (paving, gazebo construction, site drainage, etc.) followed.

The next meeting will be held May 13, 2016. Chris motioned to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

  
Assistant Fiscal Officer  
Wendelin Taylor

Approved:

  
Chris Szell, Chairperson