

**HIRAM VILLAGE  
RECREATION AND PARKS BOARD  
UNOFFICIAL**

Rosser Municipal Building  
11617 Garfield Road, Hiram, Ohio 44234  
February 11, 2025

Call to Order by Mayor Anne Haynam at 5:18 PM.

Roll Call: Stacey Romberger, Libby Frato-Sweeney, Abigail Stevenson, Elena Feather-Faber, Mayor Anne Haynam, Village Administrator Steven Schuller, Graham Rubin (New Member)

Absent: None

Others Present: None

Citizens Present: None

No approval needed for previous minutes.

February 11, 2025, agenda was approved by general consent.

**Old Business:**

- Discussion on the Picnic in the Park series.
  - Discussion on encampment and walk through time. Requesting dates May 30<sup>th</sup>-June 1<sup>st</sup> or June 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>. We will be hosting the location of camps. Friday will be the tentative day for setting up, Saturday will be held all day from about 11am-6pm, and Sunday it would close midafternoon. Will need an open burn permit through Fire and the EPA. The village may provide reenactors.
  - Board needs to reach out to “Swap Meet” (Ms. Romberger), “Jolly Gabbers” (Ms. Stevenson), and Ms. Frato-Sweeney will reach out to the Marine Band for a free concert.
  - Ms. Frato-Sweeney will be doing rock painting during picnics.
  - Continued discussion on how the Village can welcome back students with signs or other art events.
  - Discussed the dates the Village wants to hold the picnics and what the art schedule will look like.
- Discussion on how to promote events and the possibility of making a sandwich board and fliers.

**New Business:**

- Ideas on fundraising for the Village parks
  - Discussion about upgrading the playground equipment (add swing set), whiffle ball equipment and fencing, volleyball net, pads, lines, and sand. \$8,500 goal.
  - Idea of using a promotional “thermometer” at the parks with the QR Code to the “Friends of...”
  - Discussion about the sports teams and about the Village setting up a table on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July- selling t-shirts, water, glow sticks, etc. Options to fundraise by putting sponsors on the field fence banners. Members are to brainstorm a list of sponsors and ways we can utilize our social media accounts. Discussion on levels of sponsorship available. Mr. Schuller will obtain a quote for the t-shirts and sizing recommendations.
- Discussion about having two campsites at the Village Park to meet the requirement of becoming a trail town.

Next meeting will be held March 11, 2025, at 5:15pm.

These minutes are pending approval by the Recreation and Parks Board.

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Mayor Anne Haynam

ATTEST:

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Abigail Stevenson, Committee Chair