

PARKS & CEMETERY BOARD CITY OF NORTON

Wednesday, February 24, 2016

The Park and Cemetery Board of the City of Norton, Ohio convened for a public meeting in Council Chambers of the Safety Administration Building. Chairperson Stimac called the meeting to order at 5:27a.m.

ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT: Tracy Ranier, Ruth Stimac and Jesse Prather

ABSENT: Ada Waltz, Neva Gibson

ALSO PRESENT: Valerie Wax-Carr

NEW BUSINESS:

Chairperson Stimac gave a quick update on the Planning Commission concerning the roosters and they are checking with other communities are doing and how they regulate the problem. They will check all of them and they will send over the recommendations to the law director to do the resolutions for the problems. She stated that they also talked about drones and she talked to an advisor to the Middle School program and he stated that the drones that are sold to the public do not have zoom lens on the camera. Chairperson Stimac stated there are only 3(three) regulations for drones and they include areas of airports, \$5.00 (five dollars) registration fee and no fly zones. They will compile information about drones and make it available in case of people in the park with them. Mr. Prather stated that if people would keep them in dark confined areas they will not crow and Chairperson Stimac stated that you can't really keep them cooped up in the dark all the time. She stated that they are still compiling information on swimming pools.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chairperson Stimac asked Ms. Wax-Carr to update on the Adopt-A-Spot. Ms. Wax-Carr handed out a list of some of the sponsors that have already sent checks in and she stated she talked to the Fire Department and the Police Department for their sponsorship and they have gotten another new sponsor, Summit Excavating, is going to be joining and if anyone has any other people that they would like for us to contact please let her know and the caretakers letters will be going out at the end of March and if the board knows any more caretakers to also let them know. Ms. Wax-Carr stated that April 23, 2016 is Green Up Norton Day and it will be Arbor Day and they will be honoring John VanHyning. Ms. Ranier asked Ms. Wax-Carr about having trees planted in the park for decorating since she has been having people ask her about them and wanted her to find out if they could have them planted on Arbor Day so they could be ready for Christmas. Ms. Wax-Carr stated that they could talk about that next meeting.

Chairperson Stimac asked Mr. Prather about updates on the memorial bricks and he stated that Ms. Wax-Carr just assured him that the service crew would be able to take care of the ground for the bricks to be laid. He stated that when that is done he can find out how many bricks he would need and they will buy all the bricks and then they can be inscribed. Mr. Prather also stated that they are thinking on putting a light under the bench or put lights around the inside of the area. He stated that he would like to see if they could mount a light on the flag pole to lighten the area.

Chairperson Stimac asked Ms. Ranier concerning the Summer Rec program and she stated that she met with Ms. Wax-Carr to go over the logistics of the application. She stated that it will be gone over by the legal department just to make sure everything is covered. She stated that they are limiting it to forty children for six weeks from 9:00am to 11:00am. She stated that they also talked about using the preservice education students to have them helping. They are also checking in to special needs students and what do they have to provide. Ms. Ranier stated that the applications will be going out to Cornerstone and Primary only and that the child must be a Norton resident. Chairperson Stimac asked if it will be for children in open enrollment and Ms. Ranier stated that no they are not included since it is part of the parks program and because it is the tax payer's money that pays for the parks so they want it to be residents of Norton. Ms. Ranier stated it will be three weeks in June and three weeks in July.

Ms. Ranier wanted to put on the agenda for the next month meeting to talk about Green Up Norton Day and have Ms. Wax-Carr talk about the things that they need to place in the bags that they give out to the people.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

The board reviewed the minutes of Wednesday, January 13, 2015. Chairperson Stimac called for a motion to approve the minutes from January 13, 2015. Ms. Ranier made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted and Ms. Stimac seconded the motion. **Roll Call: Ms. Ranier - Yes, Ms. Stimac – Yes, Mr. Prather - Yes. The minutes were approved 3 to 0.**

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairperson Stimac stated the next meeting would be Wednesday, March 16, 2016. With no further business coming before the Board, Chairperson Stimac adjourned the meeting at 5:45p.m.

Parks and Cemetery Board Chairperson/or Vice-Chair

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Date:

Final minutes approved and signed at the meeting on March 16, 2016 and signed original is on file with the Clerk of Council.