

**City of Norton**  
**PARK AND CEMETERY BOARD**

Wednesday, July 20, 2016

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The Park and Cemetery Board of the City of Norton, Ohio, convened for a public meeting in Council Chambers at the Safety Administration Building. Chairman Stimac called the meeting to order at 5:17 p.m.

**I. ATTENDANCE:**

**PRESENT:** Ruth Stimac, Neva Gibson Ada Waltz, Jesse Prather, Tracy Rainer

**II. PUBLIC SPEAKING:**

- Mary Bird, Children's Librarian at Norton Branch of APL. Mary updated board on Little Libraries. The one at Columbia Woods, quite popular. PR may be needed to increase Oak Leaf usage. None have been vandalized and all are weathering nicely. Mary offered the libraries partnership as planning for future Park events for community/children arise.

**III. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Christmas in July – Mrs. Ranier suggested Park/City determine number of trees that could be purchased in memory of loved one/in recognition of service group, etc. to be planted in summer/fall and then decorated by purchaser during our Holiday Lights in Park event. She agreed to oversee this possible project.
- B. Touch A Truck – A community member approached Mrs. Ranier regarding this popular event held by other communities. Ms. Wax-Carr suggested it be paired with another event. The committee discussed the possibility of adding it to Clean-Up Norton Day.
- C. Summer Rec Program – Ms. Waltz suggested a week-long "Camp" be looked into for next summer. Ms Gibson suggested week after Safety-Town. Records from Previous Summer Programs saw the last year held, only had 18 children attending the twice weekly summer-long event. The board agreed to place this on an upcoming work-session agenda.
- D. Work Session – A Work Session for the purposes of planning updates, such as "Touch,-A-Truck," "Christmas in July" and Summer Park

Programs, has been scheduled for Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 in the Library's Community Center. It was suggested from Mr. Prather we consider inviting any community members to give suggestions or to survey community before said session.

#### **IV. OLD BUSINESS:**

##### **A. Community Center – New Fees**

Chairman Simac and Board reviewed Park Updates from Memo sent by Administrative Officer, Wax-Carr. City Council will be addressing Proposed Fee Schedule for Community Center/Parks after Summer Break in a workshop session.

B. Little Libraries – Board thanked Mary from NPL for attending/reporting

C. Gazebo – Ms. Waltz inquired if two additional bids will be coming in for the repair work needed. Ms. Gibson suggested working with the Masonry Dept of Norton High School.

D. Adopt-A-Spot- Ms. Wax-Carr addressed the public thank you and website acknowledgement of appreciation for both sponsors/caretakers of this program.

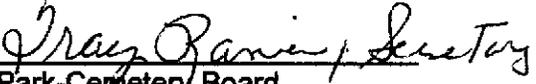
#### **V. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:**

Member Gibson moved to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Prather seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL: Ms. Waltz-Yes, Ms. Stimac-Yes, Mr. Prather-Yes, Ms. Ranier-Yes, Motion to Approve passed 4-0.**

#### **VI. ADJOURNMENT:**

Next meeting will be Tours of Park, Wed. August 17<sup>th</sup>. With no further business before the Board, Ms. Stimac adjourned the meeting at 6:20 pm.

  
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