Tuesday, February 19,

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The Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees met in special session at the Bainbridge Town Hall on February 19, 2020. Those present were Trustees Mrs. Kristina O'Brien, Mr. Jeffrey Markley, and Mrs. Lorrie Benza. Mrs. O'Brien presided and called the meeting to order at 6:04 P.M.

The purpose of this meeting was for a yearly update from the Auburn Bainbridge Recreation Board (ABRB) members and the KCE Director, as well as a meeting with Chagrin River Watershed Partners (CRWP) to discuss grants.

ABRB Update

Those present from KCE/ABRB were Mrs. Jennifer Moore, Mrs. Sarah Delly, and Mr. Greg Sharp. Mr. Jim Stanek and Mr. Tab Gordon were in attendance representing the Bainbridge Township Service Department.

Items discussed:

- 1. River Road Park playground possibility. The trustees wanted to make sure that KCE knew that a portion of the park would need to be cordoned off during construction.
- 2. KCE will be contacted by resident playground committee for email lists for fundraising for the playground.
- 3. Field conditions at River Road Park and how to protect them. Also discussed the Auburn fields that KCE will be utilizing this year.
- 4. Chemical treatments on fields. KCE needs notice for scheduling purposes.
- 5. Mrs. Delly clarified the \$21,000.00 shortfall that the trustees questioned at the last BOT meeting. Mrs. Moore explained that the IRS started taking 30% out of the monthly income for three months. She has cleared this up with the IRS and the money will be recouped.
- 6. KCE is open to children from other communities if the community does not have a recreation program or league.

This portion of the meeting ended at 6:34 P.M and the KCE/ABRB members were excused.

CRWP Grant Discussion

Mrs. Kimberley Brewster of CRWP joined the meeting at 6:34 P.M.

The discussion centered on two grants. The first grant opportunity is the ODNR NatureWorks grant. This could be used for a proposed playground and/or a walking path at River Road Park. The trustees will continue discussions regarding the application process for a grant to assist in the purchase of playground equipment. Geauga County's portion of this grant will be determined after April 1, 2020.

The second grant opportunity is an EPA section 319 grant that is normally a 40% match, but it is currently a 0% match. This would be used to take care of the stream bank erosion situation at Paterek Lake at Centerville Mills Park. The trustees also inquired about revisiting the Balanced Growth Initiative: Priority Development Area vs. Priority Conservation Area. CRWP will provide additional information at a later date. This grant application may need to be signed at the March 9, 2020 Board of Trustees' meeting.

Since there was no further business to come before this special meeting of the Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees, the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 P.M.

	Respectfully Submitted,
	Janice S. Sugarman, Fiscal Officer, Bainbridge Township
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