

**BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP PARK BOARD MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 19, 2012**

Members Present: Marty Sfiligoj, Chairman; Henri Preuss, Vice Chairman; Mitch Fakadej; David Jones; Clyde Whaley and Dave Mitchell, Property Superintendent

The Park Board met at Heritage Park at 7:00 P.M. and the meeting was moved to the Town Hall.

Mr. Sfiligoj, Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:08 P.M. at the Town Hall.

Guest: Mr. Ted Seliga

MINUTES

Mr. Whaley made a motion to approve the meeting minutes dated August 15, 2012 as written.

Mr. Fakadej seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECTS

Eagle Scout Jon Hall gave a report on his project that was to create a campsite and pavilion shelter at Centerville Mills Park. He explained that it took 35 hours to plan, he used 276 man-hours, 17 people helped and the project was completed by September 1, 2012.

Mr. Sfiligoj congratulated Jon on his accomplishment.

Mr. Mitchell noted that there have been two rentals for that area already.

The board was in agreement that it would be appropriate if a plaque was installed at the site acknowledging Jon's project.

Eagle Scout Justin Abbarno gave a report on his project that was to create a natural fence line along the northwest border of the Centerville Mills park property line. He explained that it took six days and 30 total hours and he had the help from family members, troop members, teammates, neighbors and friends. He said he used naturally fallen trees, rocks and large pieces of wood provided by Centerville Mills Park. He added that he raised some funds for the project and has \$276.19 in excess to donate back to the township.

Mr. Sfiligoj congratulated Justin on his accomplishment.

CENTERVILLE MILLS (BOARD OF TRUSTEES) MEETING RECAP - 9/17/2012

The board discussed the recent Board of Trustees meeting regarding Centerville Mills Park. The board noted that groups could adopt the buildings and take care of them with parameters but safety would be the first priority. The board set a deadline of October 17th which is the next Park Board meeting for proposals from groups wishing to use the buildings. It was suggested that a licensed inspector be brought in to inspect the buildings for safety issues before the groups take them over and the buildings could be used for rentals when the groups are not using them.

Lt. Bob Hooven of the Seabees stated that he is not looking to pay a rental fee for any of the buildings because they would be putting the work into them and would like exclusive use. He added that they would like to work with the scouts to renovate the 30s cabins and if the buildings are fixed up it would increase the value of the property.

Mr. Sfiligoj read a list of the buildings slated to be torn down.

Mr. Seliga stated that a decision has to be made on how the township is going to run Centerville Mills Park. He reported on the general fund and said township participation will be limited and a date should be set for a realistic evaluation of the buildings.

Mr. Jones commented that the Cuyahoga Valley National Park District and Punderson contract out their dining facilities and added that the building renovations should be done at no cost to the township.

The board was in agreement to forward the following comments to Trustee Horn, Parks Liaison with copies to Trustee Markley and Trustee Benza regarding the potential use of the B & C buildings at Centerville Mills Park.

The Bainbridge Township Park Board was in agreement to move the process along of having some of the B & C buildings maintained and kept up by volunteers, at no expense to the township and with potential restrictive uses. However the board also realizes that there are legal ramifications that accompany a project like this and therefore is requesting a prosecutor's opinion prior to engaging in any kind of commitments or standards for the project.

Lt. Commander Robert Hooven of the United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps submitted his proposal for the exclusive use of the Log Cabin, the Nature Center, the Dispensary and the former Headquarters Building with the upkeep, maintenance, and revival of the buildings (in use by the Sea Cadets) and they will be the sole responsibility of the Sea Cadets.

The board acknowledged October 17, 2012 as being the deadline for proposals with a possible work session in November.

Since there was no further business, Mr. Whaley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Fakadej seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda L. Zimmerman
Secretary to Park Board

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: October 17, 2012 - TOWN HALL