



# Hancock Park District

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## HANCOCK PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS Public Meeting Notice and Agenda

**Date:** Tuesday, August 8, 2017  
**Location:** Richard S. "Doc" Phillips Discovery Center at Oakwoods Nature Preserve  
**Time:** 3:30 p.m.

### Roll Call

### Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes dated July 11, 2017

### Financial Status

1. Review of Financial Statement dated July 31, 2017 by Hancock Park District business manager, Vicky Stozich

### Old Business

### New Business

### Discussion

1. Hancock Park District Report:
  - Director – Gary Pruitt
  - Park Operations Manager – Bill Patch
  - Naturalist – Michelle Rumschlag
  - Marketing Manager – Anne Coburn-Griffis

### Public Input

### Adjournment

### Park Tour

The Board of Park Commissioners will visit Benton Ridge Community Park, McComb Community Park, and the site of Van Buren's Hoadley Park immediately following the meeting. The tour is expected to occur from approximately 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 12, 2017 at 3:30 p.m.

**HANCOCK PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS**  
**Meeting Minutes for July 11, 2017**

The July 11, 2017 meeting of the Hancock Park District Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Richard S. "Doc" Phillips Discovery Center at Oakwoods Nature Preserve.

Park Commissioners Present: Gary Hirschfeld, Scott Younger, Ed Ingold  
HPD Staff Present: Gary Pruitt, Vicky Stozich, Michelle Rumschlag, Bill Patch, Anne Coburn-Griffis, Bob Sams  
Guests Present: Jim Maurer

The meeting was called to order by Gary Hirschfeld at 3:30 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Scott Younger with a second by Ed Ingold to approve the June 13, 2017 meeting minutes. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**FINANCIAL STATUS**

Income and expense reports year to date June 30, 2017 were reviewed by HPD business manager, Vicky Stozich.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Request to approve the 2017-2018 Hunting with Permission Game Management Program at Litzenberg Memorial Woods from November 1, 2017 to January 31, 2018:** A motion was made by Scott Younger with a second by Ed Ingold to approve the request as presented. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

A suggestion was made by Park Commissioner, Ed Ingold to work toward the elimination of the Hunting with Permission Game Management Program, while retaining a youth hunt with a focus on safety and partnerships.

**Request to approve the Waterfalls Area Parking Lot Plan:** A motion was made by Scott Younger with a second by Gary Hirschfeld to approve the request as presented. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

A suggestion was made by Park Commissioner, Gary Hirschfeld that the 9-foot wide parking spaces should be wider.

**DISCUSSION**

Hancock Park District Report:

Gary Pruitt attended the Hancock Pathways meeting. The committee continued to review trail plans and generate and discuss ideas about promoting, prioritizing, funding, and raising awareness about trails. The concrete pad and walkway for the gazebo at Riverbend Recreation Area is finished. Fill and restoration work will follow to improve drainage/ponding issues due to the elevation of the concrete. Once the restoration work is finished, the gazebo will be purchased. Gazebo construction is expected to take one day.

Bob Sams was hired as Natural Resource Manager. Other positions remain open. Park entrance signs have been installed at River Landings and Liberty Landing. Other signs will be installed as time allows. Columbia Gas is inspecting its pipeline at three locations in Riverbend Recreation Area. Due to the threat of flooding, equipment has been removed from the floor of the boathouse.

Summer Camps are in progress. Participation looks good, especially for the one-day Adventure Camps in August.

The grant application for invasive plant removal in the Hancock Park System has been submitted. The Visitor Guide has been designed and sent to the printer. The website is so close. Concerts have been well-received. The first Sunday concert is on July 16.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

Park Commissioner, Ed Ingold was informed by a kayaker that while she liked the new boat launch facilities at Liberty Landing and Blanchard Landing, the design makes it difficult to get in and out of her kayak. When asked, she suggested an alternative design at White Star Park in Gibsonburg.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

**Executive Session Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by Gary Hirschfeld at 4:06 p.m. A motion was made by Scott Younger with a second by Ed Ingold to enter into executive session to consider the compensation of a public employee per Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (G) (1). Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

The Board discussed the idea of raising base pay for all positions and increasing actual pay for all employees in response to new base pay beginning in 2018. No action was taken.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

Meeting Minutes approved:

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Gary E. Hirschfeld, Chairperson

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Gary E. Pruitt, Director/Secretary

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