

Altoona Parks & Recreation Board
Annual Park Tour
Wednesday, May 22, 2019

The Altoona Parks & Recreation Board met on Wednesday, May 22, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. for the annual park tour. Members present were: Steve Moyna, Brigid Ernst, Lisa Moody-Tunks, Mike Wall, Andrew Frana, Jon Wall, Tim Van Wyk, Parks Director, Todd Trobaugh, Cameron Hale, Jary Bowie, and Jody Phelps, Secretary.

Absent was: Sandie Hamilton, Scott Duer.
Quorum was declared.

Minutes of the April 24, 2019 meeting were read. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Mike Wall, seconded by Steve Moyna. All ayes. Motion carried.

Visitors: Alex Payne, Justin Guter and Paul Jensen.

Justin Guter and Paul Jensen discussed utilizing the Parks again this year for the Spooky Cross and Cyclocross. Spooky Cross is scheduled for October 26 and 27, 2019. Location for that will be around the Altoona Campus. This event brings in 300 to 500 attendees during the weekend. This year they would like to include the Campus in the event. A motion was made by Andrew Frana, seconded by Jon Wall. All ayes. Motion carried.

The State Cyclocross will be held at Lions Park on November 23, 2019. This is a one day event. A motion was made by Mike Wall, seconded by Steve Moyna. All ayes. Motion carried.

Alex Payne proposed that a Historical marker be put in Haines Park, Honoring John C. Houbolt. They would like to locate this next to the rocketship sculpture. This would honor John C. Houbolt who was born in Altoona in 1919. Time magazine named him "Apollo's Unsung Hero" for his work on the Apollo program. It was his "LOR" plan that was used on Apollo 11, landing the first man on the moon on July 20, 1969. They would like to coordinate that it would be celebrated with the Cinemark Movie Theater showing a documentary on him. A motion was made by Jon Wall to approve this, seconded by Steve Moyna. 5 ayes and 1 pass. Motion carried.

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Park update –

Spring Creek Area – Tim provided a map of the area and a discussion was held concerning the area.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Andrew Frana, seconded by Jon Wall, at 7:25 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 26, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. at the Enabling Garden.