



## Massillon Area Greenways Inc. (MAGI)

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MEETING MINUTES  
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This represents the minutes from the meeting held  
January 18, 2012 at the Blue Heron Deli.

### WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

~ Henry Aegerter called the meeting to order at 7pm. The following members and friends were present: Mark Lambert (Stark Parks), Gene Rolls, Ernie Lehman, Debbie Lehman, Sue Reid (OECC), George Ebey (OECC), Joanne Hancock, Tom Hancock, Foster Rose II, Foster Rose, Bill Evtzly, Hugh Gale, Shirley Sommers, Paul Mutchler, Gene Boerner, and Henry.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

~ Gene Boerner reported a checking account balance of \$733.28. A motion was made by Gene to engage Reinhard, Kopko, Keller, & McDonnell, Inc. to prepare our 2011 year-end tax returns. Last year's returns were prepared by them at a cost of \$370.00. Motion second by Ernie Lehman; approved by majority vote. Treasurer's report was approved with a motion by Ernie Lehman, second by Joanne Hancock.

### MINUTES

~ Minutes were reviewed. Minutes approved with a motion from Foster Rose II, second by Paul Mutchler.

### TRAIL REPORTS

#### Towpath Trail

~ Mark Lambert of Stark Parks reported that the entire trail is open with the exception of the section on the levee between Cherry St. and Lincolnway in Massillon. Work on the levee continues in this area. The trail will be returned to normal when work is complete.

~ Gene Boerner reported on the wash out below the Massillon Wastewater Treatment Plant. All paperwork has been completed and now only needs final Massillon City Council approval.

~Ernie Lehman made Mark Lambert of Stark Parks aware of three trail issues he had noticed. Equestrians had damaged the trail between Warmington Road and Navarre. There is a lot of water laying on the trail along Rt. 21 south of Oberlin Road. Ernie stated it is particularly treacherous in this area during sub-freezing weather. Trail repair between Warmington Road and Navarre where the gas line work was done was not ideal. The material that was used on this section was different than what is usually used by Stark Parks. Mark was aware of these problems and will work to correct them.

#### Rails to Trails of Wayne County/Sippo Valley Trail

~ Hugh Gale reported that a problem with a hole on the Sippo Trail was repaired quickly and in good fashion shortly after he notified Massillon Parks.

~ The bridge near Kenyon is and has been experiencing a washout issue that is causing it to sink. MAGI is working

through Sue Reid of the OECC to hopefully have a volunteer crew from either United Way Day of Caring or Dominion Gas to help with the needed repairs.

~ Signage issues were discussed along the Sippo Trail, in particular, mileage markers and signage and street marking for connecting users to and from the Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath and Sippo Trail. A list of signs and recommendations will be worked on during the Spring Work Day scheduled for May 12th.

~ It was decided that the burnt bridge project was completed enough that a ribbon cutting ceremony should be planned. The date was set for April 22 at 2pm. Ernie & Debbie Lehman will work on invitations that will be mailed along with thank you's for those that have made donations to the project.

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

~ Henry Aegerter reported that Melissa Rimer and Foster Rose II are now officially MAGI trustees. Their nomination was approved at the last Massillon Chamber of Commerce meeting.

### FUNDRAISING

~ Henry Aegerter reported that he checked into having the bloodmobile back. The group decided that it would be good to schedule it for the day of the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Sippo Bridge, April 22. The bloodmobile will be scheduled from 12-4 at Lincoln Park.

~ Our V-Li's fundraiser is March 21st. It will be held in conjunction with our monthly meeting. Everyone is encouraged to dine at V-Li's in Canal Fulton anytime on March 21st. A portion of the proceeds for the day will be donated back to MAGI. Our meeting will be upstairs at 7pm. Last year a wine tasting was held at the same time. Ernie will check to see if this can be done again.

~ Debbie Lehman passed on information regarding a Mexican restaurant that may be willing to do a similar event. Tom and Joanne Hancock said they would stop by the establishment to see if this would be something MAGI would want to do.

~ Ernie reported that the Poker Run dates have been submitted to the Ohio Bicycle Events calendar as well as to the Massillon Chamber calendar of events. Poker Run dates are May 20th and September 15th.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm with a motion by Ernie Lehman, second by Paul Mutchler.

Next Meeting: February 15, 2012, 7pm,  
Blue Heron Deli, Lake Ave. Trailhead.