

**South Russell Village Parks Committee Meeting****September 12, 2016**

Members present: Martha Bistriz, Gary Brockett, John Dishong, Ted Kruse. Absent: Greg Pike

**FALL FESTIVAL:** John asked for feedback on the fall festival layout he sent to the committee. With a few modifications it was agreed that the arrangement of all of the activities is in good order. The rock climbing wall will be located behind the pavilion and the other bounce houses will be located parallel to Bell Road behind the SWAT and Fire Trucks. Martha will get twelve Key Club volunteers to monitor the activity on the bounce houses. The rock climbing wall will have a Fun Services employee assisting. Ted will bring a speaker system so that music and announcements may be made. Gary and Ted will bring their apple cider presses. Ted will order approximately 300 pounds of apples. Danielle will get paper cups for samples of the cider and plastic containers will be provided for people to take cider home. Martha will bring a large sieve. Ted will have three hay wagons there that can carry between 20-30 people. Each wagon can make about two trips around the field per hour. John will assign council members to be haywagon drivers. Fall Festival shirts will be provided to staff working that day. An ad will run in the Chagrin Valley Times on the Thursday before the festival advertising the special attractions this year. Danielle should call Ted to discuss what should be included in the ad. Darrell Johnson, the street commissioner and his crew will be in charge of setting up and cleaning up. It would be helpful if as many staff as possible would help out as well. The festival setup will start around 10 a.m. on Sunday, October 2. Fun Services will require the balance due for renting their equipment.

**MISC.** The Jaycees will be using the pavilion this week for a gathering.  
Council approved the idea of exploring a straw maze for next year's fall festival.  
The expansion of the parking lot is moving forward. (Bell Street side)  
The wind screen project is on hold. We need to get the cost put in our budget request for 2017.  
John had no information about the two benches that have been removed from the top of the hill on the Bell St. side of the park.  
There was no discussion of adding limestone to the path that links the two sides of the park.

The next parks meeting will be Wednesday, October 12 at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha B. Bistriz