

Minutes - May 16

- I. Call to order 12:03
All members present
- II. Approval of April 13 minutes - Martin and Campbell
- III. Planning and Operations Update - Nick Derico

Board voted in support of ban on balloon launch within park. The board continues to be very supportive of our suggestions. Legal notice will go out after May 22 meeting which will new address rule changes and regulations.

4 members resigned from Horticulture Committee which precludes any collaboration/discussion with them in the near future.

Electricity is completely in at Lilly Pond and system will be up and operating on May 23.

- IV. No old business
- V. New Business

Introduction of Erin and Dan Quinlan, co-owners of Valley Energy Solar and Ian Benniston of Youngstown Neighborhood Development Corporation.

Benniston gave the history of YNDC's current offices at 820 Canfield Rd. including the acquisition and renovation of the property and the implementation of solar panels. YNDC is extremely satisfied with the project, citing an eventual savings of \$5255 on electric bill and a reductions of 88,000 pounds of CO2 emissions;

Dan and Erin Quinlan presented a case study of the solar installation at Western Reserve Local Schools followed by a presentation of a possible plan for such an installation at MetroParks Farm. Discussion included initial costs (including funding) and energy savings over years.

Next meeting - June 27 at Noon

Move to adjourn - Milliken and Kravitz

Adjournment - 1:30