EAST HANOVER PARKS AND RECREATION

MEETING MINUTES – April 1, 2019

Board Members Present:
Laurie Reichert, Zach Jackson, Yvonne Sharrow, Dave Hamaty, Karen Henry

Board Members Absent:
Kirby Reichert Jr.

Park and Rec Director:
Jhane Kunkel

Guests:
Mike Yingling, Paul Cornell, Bryan Ziegler

Meeting called to order at 6:56 PM

• Previous month’s minutes for March, 2019 were approved. Motion for approval by Laurie Reichert, 2nd by Yvonne Sharrow. Motion approved by all present, 5-0.
• Review Receipts and Expenditures Report for March.

Mike Yingling addressed the Board about several topics:

- **Trails and Greenways** - Mike provided us with articles on playgrounds, steam locomotive (garden) trains providing opportunities for young people to learn about engineering. Map of trails in EHT.
- **Personnel Needs** - Increasing demand on Bob to keep up with park grounds. Acquisition of VFW grounds adds additional responsibility. Potentially hire a part time (seasonal) worker to help out with demand. Increase to full-time when feasible. Terry Davis might be able to provide some temporary laborers.
- **Township Development** – Nothing is off the table in terms of what we want to do to improve lifestyle in the Township. Corporate sponsors for projects? Grants?
- **Parking Lot** (upper fields) – Use fill from hotel project (near Sheetz). Evaluate size of adjacent soccer field to see if it meets regulations for competitive play. Expand the soccer field and adjust lot dimensions accordingly.
- **Improved communications** with Lower Dauphin S. D. – Mike Yingling and Paul Cornell had a meeting with the LD Board.
- **2019 Budget Line Items (P & R):**
  - Park Maintenance $25,000
  - Park Repairs $18,000
  - Capital Construction $10,000 (?)
ACTION ITEM (based on discussion): Laurie Reichert made a motion that Board of Supervisors authorize expenditures from the budgeted funds for sod, stone, and grass work to complete the Swale project, the northern border of the existing parking lot, and the proposed parking lot at the soccer fields. 2nd by Yvonne Sharrow. Approved by all present: 5-0.

ACTION ITEM (based on discussion): Laurie Reichert made a motion that a part time position be established for a seasonal park maintenance person for the remainder of 2019. 2nd by Yvonne Sharrow. Approved by all present: 5-0.

P/R Directors Report

- Jhane’s Report (attached).
- Swale: Discussion with Bryan Ziegler. Section of pipe (east of park entryway) is deteriorating. Needs to be replaced at some point. Hidden pipe in trees north of the creek will be checked by Bryan to see if the entryway is clear of debris. For swale, use #4 (Rip Rap) in the base with smaller stone on the sides. Establish “check” dams to slow the flow of water to the bridge. Erosion west of the bridge needs to be addressed at some point.
- Summer Rec Program: Yvonne needs (9) counselors. Currently only (3) applications submitted. Zach suggested we use Indeed to recruit counselors.

Old Business:

- Action request for proposed Walking Trail (west end of Park property) 6’ wide, 1400’ linear feet. Jhane presenting it at BOS meeting Tuesday night (4/3).
- Stage project: Future consideration. Construct in stages potentially using Costars (GSA joint bidding). More to come on this.
- Bunny Breakfast (4/13). Board participants: Laurie & Kirby Reichert, Dave Hamaty, Karen Henry, Yvonne Sharrow (‘til 9:30A). Rick Smith volunteered. Chloe Smith can be the Easter Bunny?
- Online Payment for activities, events, summer rec. program, pavilion rentals, etc.. Taken under consideration for future payment processing. Look into it for 2020.
- Movies in the Park: Jhane has a 17’ portable, inflatable screen we can use. Considering purchase of Fender sound system that can be used indoors and out. Movie titles and rights have been secured for this summer.
- Fisher house needs to be cleaned out and P & R items moved to Township Building.

New Business: (None at this time).

Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

- Dave Hamaty made motion, 2nd by Laurie Reichert. Motion approved by all present: 5-0.

Next Park and Rec Board Meeting:

May 6th – 7pm
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