

**Honey Brook Township Parks and Recreation Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2015**

The Honey Brook Township Parks and Recreation Committee held its monthly meeting on January 15, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the township building. Members in attendance: Lee Heller-Chair, Therese Mauchline, Secretary, and Rob McMinimee. Absent: Danny Bailey. Visitors were Glen Emery and Kelly Spracklin.

Minutes

Rob McMinimee made the motion with Therese Mauchline seconding that the minutes from August 21, 2014 be approved. The motion passed and none opposed. We did not meet the rest of the months due to either no quorum or holidays.

New Business

Introductions were made since we had guests. We updated everyone on the meetings that occurred on the feasibility of the North Struble Trail. We said that Chester County met with members of the community and many townships and organizations to generate ideas of where the trail could go and what places it should avoid.

Officers

Lee Heller was nominated by Rob McMinimee and seconded by Therese Mauchline to be Chair. None opposed.

Therese Mauchline was nominated by Rob McMinimee and seconded by Lee Heller to be Secretary. None opposed.

Kelly Spracklin if approved by the Board of Supervisors was nominated by Lee Heller and seconded by Rob McMinimee to be Co-Chair, None Opposed.

Lee Heller –Chair

Therese Mauchline-Secretary

Kelly Spracklin-pending co-chair

Appointees

We discussed with Kelly Spracklin and Glen Emery their qualifications for this commission .After reviewing their resumes, we made the following motions

Motion 1: We recommend Kelly Spracklin for appointment to the Commission. Lee Heller made the motion and Rob McMinimee seconded. None opposed.

Motion 2: We recommend Glen Emery for appointment to the Commission. Lee Heller made the motion and Rob McMinimee seconded. None opposed.

Meeting Time Change

After discussion due to Therese Mauchline's new job, Lee made a motion to change the meeting time to the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:30. Rob seconded. All approved. This will start February 19th

Motion 3 We recommend that the meeting time be changed to 7:30 on the 3rd Thursday of the Month starting February 19th.

Little League

Opening day will be April 11th with 2 work days before that. Little League needs at minimum 2 loads of Dimatex again-Last year, it was about \$681/load. Last year there were 400kids and Rob said he thought it was down again. T-ball is \$70, Rookie is \$120, and the top fee is \$130 because they must pay the umpires. They do clearances on the coaches.

Old Business

Summer Camp

Tennis Camp- Lee will offer again for 10 weeks either Tuesday or Wed for Elementary and Middle School kids. Lee usually cancels on rainy days. Kelly asked if she could maybe have it at the Township Building and watch classic tennis matches. Lee also said she would talk to Don Johnson to see if we could install a plywood backboard. The issue is warping.

Kickball camp will be one day a week if offered-Last year, it was 12-2

Summer Camp-Lee will be talking to Michelle Zietz to do it for elementary kids as Deb Oldham is no longer offering one at Honey Brook Elementary Center

Basketball Clinic-Lee will contact her source and see if it can be run 6-7:30pm

Basketball/Softball Clinic with wiffleball thrown in. Rob McMinimee will talk to the coaches and see if they can offer this 3-5 days for a week. In the evening.

Pickleball is through Knob Hill and they pick the time but Tel Hai also used it last year along with our Softball fields. Glen Emery said he would look into offering it to the Elverson Community for the adults.

Other ideas thrown out were bus tours, painting class, winter activities are still needed.

Born Learning Trail

The Born Learning Trail has been installed. Opening day was discussed to be April 4th with the following ideas. An Easter egg hunt followed by the cutting of the paper chain that we hope Honey Brook Early Learning Center will make for us and then we take the kids through the stations. Therese checked with the Lions Club and their egg hunt is March 28th at 10. Rob McMinimee offered the eggs that the Little League has- We just need volunteers to fill them. Lee will contact Mary Anne Feeley to determine if there is anything else she would like. The Little Library will be installed in the spring there and Therese found out that the Friends of the Library will supply books if we need them.

Chester County Food Bank Garden

During the course of the seasons, we had two problems besides volunteers. We found out that Steeple to People could not use the Swiss chard and that we were given a plant that was misidentified and turned out to be too much parsley. By the second or third time of the opening of the Honey Brook Food Bank, Therese started taking the food there since the plants are supplied by the Chester County Food Bank.

The numbers are the following.

Broccoli 1 lb. 14oz + 7 oz. = **2 lb. 5 oz.**

Swiss chard 1 lb. 2 oz. + 1 lb. 13oz = 2 lb. 15 oz. + 1 lb. 11 oz. = **4lb 10oz**

Parsley **1 lb. 8 oz.**

Green Beans 15.1 oz. + 3 Lbs. = **3 lbs. 15.1oz**

Tomatoes **6lbs**

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 with Lee Heller making the motion and Rob McMinimee seconding. None opposed. Next meeting will be February 19, 2015 at 7:30

Respectfully Submitted,

Therese Mauchline
Parks and Recreation Commission
Recording Secretary