

**Honey Brook Township Parks and Recreation Committee
Regular Meeting Approved Minutes
April 21, 2016**

The Honey Brook Township Parks and Recreation Committee held its monthly meeting on April 21, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. at the township building. Members in attendance: Lee Heller-Chair, Therese Mauchline, Sheri Zynn, Glenn Emery, and Allen Hartz. Absent: Kevin Wynant and Jen Bauer. Visitors were Dr. Ed Frankel and Jeanne Jenzano

Minutes

March minutes were approved with the corrections of Cort Bigelow's name spelled correctly. Lee Heller approved the minutes and Allen Hartz seconded. All were in favor and none opposed.

New Business

Skateboard Park

Ed Frankel and Jeanne Jenzano were present at the meeting to give us an update. The Skateboard committee consists of mainly of them and is now a 5013(c) which means it is a nonprofit. They have a verbal agreement to put the skating park in the Honey Brook Borough where the fenced in street hockey is located. The area is 50 X 100 so it gives them 5,000-6,000 square ft. They have a preliminary plan and a preliminary budget of \$185,000. Problems that they see is if it is moved to the township accessibility as getting to Supplee is not safe. The problem where it is tentatively to be located is noise for the houses nearby and proximity to the tot lock. They think that it being also close to the police department would be a good thing to cut down on foul language for one. Their grant writer is Sam Loth and Therese Mauchline told them that at Chester County Library at the main site they have a grant program to see grants. Jeanne suggested fundraising from Low Rider and other stores that sell skateboards in the surrounding area. Ed Frankel said the concrete would be of high quality.

They were told to put up a sign on the community board at the library. They still would like to see a BMX site at the Umble Park. A motion was made by Glenn Emery and Lee Heller seconded

MOTION: We recommend to begin working cooperatively with the Honey Brook Borough in their skateboard park including discussions and seeking grants. All Approved

Jen Bauer and Therese Mauchline will have a flyer of suggested ways to safely be a weekend warrior available at the library and a copy will be sent to the township.

Merv Petersheim from the Honey Brook Youth Center will come to the next meeting

Umble Park

Pickup Games-After June 4th, the Little League will not be using the fields based on the schedule we saw. We would like to do pickup games 1 day a week for 8 weeks. We can get the elementary school to send out an email blast before school lets out. We are to bring ideas to the next meeting along with a day, activity and supervision and think about wording

Dogs

Allen brought up dogs in the park and a motion was made by Allen and Lee seconded.

MOTION: We recommend that Umble Park be allowed dogs on leash except on fields and dogs must be cleaned up after and that the township purchase doggie bag dispenser and that the words No Dogs allowed be eliminated from the sign. All Approved

The Little Free Library box according to the Friends of the Honey Brook Community Library is not recognized as a book area. They asked us to put the words Free Books on the box and we agreed.

Pennsylvania Recreation and Park Society, Inc.

In the Recreation and Parks Board Handbook, it recommends that boards belong to the Pennsylvania Recreation and Park Society, Sheri Zynn informed us. She made a motion that we join the group and Lee seconded

MOTION: We recommend that the Parks and Recreation Committee join the PA Recreation and Park Society Inc. as a group (5 board members are allowed).

All in favor

Old Business

Basketball

Kevin Wynant will contact Cort again and see if he is interested

Exercise

Jen Bauer has 6-7 people coming to exercise class and she has been getting back positive feedback.

Raised Garden Bed

Article written for the newsletter. Chris picked up lettuce, salted hay, hoops, fertilizer, and row cover. Seeds will be planted hopefully by the weekend of April 22nd-25th.

Summer Camp

Summer Camp Director, Michelle Zeitz contacted us regarding her fees. Director \$25/hr., Assistant \$20/hr. and Aide \$15/hr which amounts to \$180/day. What did we pay last year and what was the price last year. We believe it was \$30/wk. Lee said that we could offer 2 free scholarships and that we leave the selection and wording of the scholarship to Michelle.

Bike Riding

Glenn made the announcement that he was probably relocating for his wife's job and that Paula McGinness was also relocating and that no one wants to take on the leadership of the committee.

Name of the event: Honey Brook Sweetwater Tour

Date Sept 24th at Tel Hai. Parking at their New Club House and will start and finish there. Tel Hai can probably provide the volunteers. There will be 3 courses 4 miles, 25 miles and 50 miles and will require markings and volunteers to stop traffic probably fire companies. The start time will be 8 and no starts later than 10. Glenn said most riders do about 12 mph so the last support vehicle will go out at 2 and the ride ends at 3. There will be food at the end of the ride from sponsors. There will be 2 rest stops with porta pottys. He will need marketing help along with artistic ability to come up with a logo. We will need to put it on the website, make posters, and have a media page.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 with Sheri Zynn making the motion and Glenn Emery seconding. All were in favor and none opposed. We will meet May 19 at 7:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Therese Mauchline
Parks and Recreation Committee
Recording Secretary