

Honey Brook Township Parks and Recreation Committee
Regular Meeting Approved Minutes
January 19, 2017

The Honey Brook Township Parks and Recreation Committee held its monthly meeting on January 19, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. at the township building. Members in attendance: Therese Mauchline, Sheri Zynn, Scott Holt, Alan Hartz, Kevin Wynant and Lee Heller.

Reorganization of Committee

After discussion, it was decided that Sheri Zynn would co-chair this year with Lee Heller. Lee Heller will be there to guide Sheri as Lee wishes to not be chair any longer. Therese Mauchline will continue to be secretary. Kevin made the motion and Lee seconded. All approved

Minutes

October 2016 minutes were approved. Sheri Zynn made the motion and Kevin Wynant seconded. All were in favor and none opposed.

New Business

Park Rules and Regulation Ordinance Draft

Kevin had several questions that we hope to put to Steve Landes next month. Are we requiring proof of liability insurance for companies that use the facility? What about the township insurance-does it need to be in the ordinance for the protection of the township? What about rules about posting their own signs and tampering of our signs? Should there be an age requirement to stay at the park under a certain age? Therese brought up that at the library a child needs to be age 10 to stay without an adult. Should there be a camera in the parking lot or a sign saying there is a camera? Lee reported that Pickleball players thought they witnessed drug deals going down in the parking lot. Nothings is written about free standing gazebos, tents and sporting tents being used. What about lost and found-how should it be handled. It was recommended that it brought back to the office. This is further tabled until we can get either Steve Landes or a supervisor at the meeting.

Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Plan Project

Tabled until February. We know we need soccer and lacrosse fields and land.

Twin Valley Little League

Lee or Sheri will ask Bill Yenser to the February meeting to discuss Little League items such as shed, lights and fencing and any other needs.

Brandywine Conservancy and Walking Trails

The Trail Committee met January 12, 2017. Meredith and Beth from the Conservancy suggested starting small and they are looking into laying a sidewalk from the church by Umble Park to 322. There is no future meeting scheduled. Kevin is in the chair of the trail committee and he will ask Jeanne from the Honey Brook Borough to come on the trail as we would like

this to be a joint venture with the borough. It was also brought up that Jennifer McConnell from Technicon said the Tabas Tract at Grieson/Chestnut Road will be developed in 3 phases. The first phase will be 42 units and they are hoping to get a trailhead parking lot there.

2017 Summer Programs

Michele Zietz has already agreed to do summer camp. Lee Heller and Leslie Siebert will do tennis camps. We would like to offer something with basketball and we have new backboards. In the past, we offered kickball and that was well attended. We are still taking about having a Come Play a Game night. Kevin wants to have an adult tennis league.

Great American Cleanup

Kevin said this was a great opportunity for TVHS students and the middle school students. We should have an adult in every group. Kevin will take to Tierra Graham, a high school student who would like to start an environmental club at the school. Cleanup areas would be Umble Park and the area around Buchanan and Talbotville. We should look for other areas that need cleaned up.

Gardening

The new agreement between the township and the Chester County Food Bank has arrived. Therese signed it and it will be given to Kristy at the township building to sign and fax to the food bank. Therese said her husband will attend a meeting at the end of January regarding 3 season gardening. She hopes to begin planting either in March or early April. Volunteers will again be needed

Old Business

Mental Health First Aid

Jenn Lopez is the contact person for the event which will take place March 4 and March 11 at the township building. Lee would like to get water, granola and fruit for the meeting. We all took flyers to hang at the library, retirement communities, eateries, and churches. It will also be posted on the township web site.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 with Therese making the motion and Alan seconding. All were in favor none opposed. The next meeting is February 16, 2017 at 7:30

Respectfully Submitted,
Therese Mauchline
Parks and Recreation Commission, Recording Secretary