



**WEST PIKELAND TOWNSHIP
1645 ART SCHOOL ROAD
CHESTER SPRINGS, PA 19425**

**PARK AND RECREATION MINUTES
March 7, 2024**

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Nancy Niggel, Ryan Leithead, Diana Urbanski, Jeff Loudin, Sam Wachsmuth, Jennifer Wachsmuth, Janet Vrecenak, Nancy Bartley from Parks and Rec in attendance. Jor Romano, Township Manager and Tom McLewee and Karin Misfud from the BOS in attendance.
- II. MEETING MINUTE APPROVAL:** February minutes approved
- III. COMMITTEES MEETING UPDATE:**
- IV. REPORTS**
 - a. Treasurer Report:
 - i. See Attached
 - b. Environmental Action Committee (EAC) Report by Sarah:
 - i. Debris cleanup in Walnut Lane planned
 1. Work taking place on Sunday, March 10
 2. Parks and Rec approved work
 - ii. Pine Creek Park Trees in tubes need maintenance
 1. Need stakes to be replaced and cages
 2. Work planned to take place Sunday April 7 or 14th
 - a. Afternoons better than morning.
 - b. EAC to coordinate with Township to determine Field Useage on those dates.
 3. Parks and Rec approved work.
 - c. Open Space
 - i. Did not meet so nothing to report
- V. PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD**
 - a. Pine Creek Park Sandpit:

- i. Ryan reports that we need signage at Pine Creek Park to instruct visitors to be courteous and return shovels to the sand pit and not to remove sand from the pit area, etc.
- ii. He reports that
 - 1. shovels have been stolen
 - 2. Sand has been removed and dumped on the mulch
 - 3. Holes have been dug and not backfilled
- iii. Ryan will get signs from the township
- b. Sarah reports that sand is going into the storm drain
 - i. Sand is for Disc Golf
 - ii. Sam will cover

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Pine Creek Park Playground Grant
 - a. Awarded \$155,000 through the Grant
 - b. Matching funds from the township amount to 15%
 - c. Need to raise \$65K
 - i. Consider creating a fundraising group Friends of Pine Creek Park Playground.
 - ii. Considering creating a 501c3 group for fundraising
 - iii. Ryan will be the head of the Friends Group
 1. Start with an awareness campaign
 - iv. Joe will review with township to determine if the township has the resources to assist.
 - d. Ryan ordered two benches and will build and place when they arrive (\$900 each)
2. Disc Golf
 - a. Tee pad one was installed. It is the last tee that needed to be pre-excavated.
 - b. Sam reached out to Natural Lands Trust to determine if activity is permissible in the easement so we could reset two more holes higher on the hill.
3. Pine Creek Park Invasive Remediation Project
 - a. Not going to happen in 2024 due to financial issues and timing.
4. Yoga in the Park
 - a. All set for the Spring
 - b. Starts May 4 and goes into June
 - c. Instructors are set
 - d. Nancy to make Flyer and get to Jeff
 - e. Nancy will get yard signs out too.
5. Summer in the Park Series
 - a. 5 shows all set and scheduled
 - b. Looking for a magic show to round out the schedule
 - c. Will be submitted to newsletter
6. Spring Egg Hunt at Walnut Lane

- a. Need an Easter Bunny
 - i. Nancy to ask Susie to help
- b. Volunteers to arrive at 9:00 am to set up.
- c. Two areas
 - i. Under 4
 - ii. 5 years and above
- 7. Parks and Rec Members T Shirts
 - a. No update
- 8. Park Entrance Sign Update
 - a. No money for this item
 - b. Item to be tabled

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Playground Fundraising Ideas
 - a. Beer Fest
 - i. Sept 20 there is an opening for a Beer Fest at HYS if we want to do this.
 - ii. Judd to investigate possibilities
 - iii. Maybe combine with 3/5K?
 - b. Disc Golf Outing
 - i. Needs to be held in the spring
 - ii. Tabled at this time
 - c. 3K/5K Run
 - i. Diana will investigate what is needed, costs, etc
 - d. 4/8/24 Solar Eclipse Event at Pine Creek Participation
 - i. Library Event at 2:00 pm
 - ii. Parks and Rec will use the event to promote fundraising
 - iii. Sam will send Nancy the course layout for distribution at event

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Next meeting April 4, 2024 @7:30 pm

VIII. ADJOURN

- A. Meeting adjourned at 8:36 pm