



West Pikeland Township
1645 Art School Road
Chester Springs, Pennsylvania
Parks and Recreation Board Minutes

Thursday, April 1, 2021

- 1) **Call to Order:** Diana Urbanski, Judd Feinerman, Ashton Simmons, Nancy Niggel (Library), Jeff Loudin, Nancy Bartley, John Matthews (EAC), Carin Mifsud, Charlie Humphreys, Jodi Sheehan, Bryan Maher
- 2) **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes approved from 3/4/2021 meeting
- 3) **Persons Wishing to be Heard:**
 - a) Charlie Humphreys discussed Parks Master Plan
 - i) Walnut Lane Park
 - (1) Can use Open Space Funding to finance improvements at this park.
 - (2) Can also use Grants for improvements
 - (3) Storm water regulations have changed which made improvements more expensive
 - (a) Modified Phase 1 to reduce costs.
 - (4) Need to focus on parts of Phase 2 that will fit the townships budget
 - (a) What parts of Phase 2 should we focus on first?
 - (i) Township Board of Supervisors requesting that Parks and Rec specify what to focus on.
 - ii) Pine Creek Park
 - (1) Funding for improvements must only come from Grants and township funds. Open Space funding is not an option since this park was established before the Open Space referendum passes.
 - (2) What areas of Pine Creek Park should we focus on?
 - (a) Demolition of Palmer House?
 - (b) Improvements of pond area?
 - (c) Trails?
 - (d) Township Board of Supervisors requesting that Parks and Rec specify what to focus on.
 - b) EAC
 - (1) May be an opportunity to collaborate with EAC to submit grants for Park improvements.
 - c) Festival
 - i) Bryan Maher discussed the Festival Status
 - (1) Parking at Pine Creek may not be conducive to holding the event in our park
 - (2) Walnut Lane fields too young to use for event
 - (a) May look at Ludwig's Corner as a location
 - (i) Working to find a location that can handle parking
 - (3) September 18 is the tentative date
 - (4) Working on getting businesses to commit
 - (5) Looking for volunteers to help implement
 - (6) Trying to finance through township sponsorship
 - (a) Presenting idea to surrounding townships
 - (7) Will present plan at next Board Meeting

4) **Proposed Events for 2021**



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- a) **Spring Yoga in the Park:** \$350 (May/June) –
 - (a) Dates are Confirmed: Saturdays at 9am at the Township Building
Kimberly Brinser, Instructor - May 8, May 15, June 12; Sara Greway, Instructor - May 22, May 29, June 5
 - (b) Flyers are being hung around the area.
 - (c) Info also on Facebook
 - (d) New signs were created that Melissa designed
 - (i) Will go with the Blue design for new signs.
 - (e) Jodi to put signs up

 - b) **Summer in the Park Series with Library:** \$800 (July/August)
 - i) Theme is Animals
 - ii) All events are on the library calendar and the township website
 - iii) Six Virtual (Teacher of Nature Classes) presentations on the event list.
 - (1) Can have up to 300 participants
 - iv) Pine Creek Park will be the venue for the in person events.
 - (1) Restricted to 75 participants
 - (a) Critter Connection
 - (b) Community Bollywood
 - (c) Digger and Dave puppets
 - v) Covid waiver incorporated into the registration.
 - vi) Jodi will get Flyers made

 - c) **Fall Yoga in the Park:** \$200 (Sept/Oct)
 - i) Coordinating with instructors later in the year.

 - d) **Holiday Stroll:** \$1,500 (December) a TBD event depending on Covid-19 environment.

 - e) **Movie Night**
 - i) Cost of setup is approximately \$750.
 - ii) Movie/Licensing of the movie is extra through a company called Swank
 - iii) Total cost around \$1200
 - iv) Would start at night around 9:30 pm which may make this hard for the younger children to attend.
 - v) May also be cost prohibitive
- 5) Eagle Scout Project:**
- a) Project approved: plantings
 - b) Doreen G will manage Eagle Scout projects
 - i) Nancy reached out but details are not complete as plan is being proposed.
 - ii) Project is in the fundraiser stage.
 - iii) Doreen G will review final proposal upon completion.



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6) Pine Creek Park:

- a) Pollinator Field
 - i) No updates
- b) Dog waste: How can we enforce/improve compliance?
 - i) Jeff spoke with Jim
 - (1) There is an ordinance (#2013-1 and a \$600 fine) if person is caught.
 - (2) Need small signs that say \$600 fine if violation.
 - (a) Send sign ideas to Jeff for review

Walnut Lane Park:

- c) Signage
 - i) Trail Head This Way sign
 - (1) Signs scheduled to be put in during Spring
 - (2) Jeff will follow up when scheduled

7) New Property off Horseshoe Trail (Parker Hill):

- a) No progress

8) Frisbee Golf Course:

- a) Outside interest in planning a Frisbee (Disk) golf course in one of our parks.
- b) Judd will walk Pine Creek Park to see if it is feasible.
- c) Course designs usually want more wooded areas not open field.

9) Mark Your Calendars:

- a) Next Meeting: Thurs 5/6/21 at 7:30 pm

10) Adjourn:

- a) Meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm