

**East Pikeland Township
PARK & RECREATION BOARD**

**Meeting Minutes
February 15, 2018**

Present: Jerry Miller, Allen Koons, Andrew Batten, Sean McShane, Caesar Muzzioli, & Jonathan Work

Absent: Joanne Jones

Guests: Conner McShane, Nick Deluca, Robbie Deluca, Kyler Lewis, & Michelle Rubin (EPT Rep.)

Meeting started at 7:05pm

Minutes were approved from the January meeting without changes.

New Business

1. Senior Project Presentation (Conner McShane, Nick Deluca, Robbie Deluca, & Kyler Lewis)
 - The four Phoenixville High School Juniors proposed a trail improvement project that will count as their senior project. They proposed two options and the board voted on which one they would complete.
 - The first option was an improvement to the French Creek Trail in the ravine downstream of the bridge. They would build a bridge and blaze a trail.
 - The second option is the creation of a bridge and trail on the Township's newly acquired Woodbridge property.
 - Scope of the projects are similar. Budgets \$300-\$400. Timeline: done by late June/early July so that people can use it in the summer. The most work would be in May and April.
 - The Park and Rec. Board voted unanimously for Option 2.
2. Fire Truck Play Equipment Approval
 - Michelle presented the Board with a new plan to replace the sandbox at Kimberton Park with a new piece of equipment that resembles a fire truck. The goal would be to have the new equipment put in place this spring.
 - The Board unanimously approved of the new piece of equipment.
3. Alcohol in Kimberton Park
 - Michelle informed the Board that the current alcohol rules for Kimberton Park state that alcohol is not allowed in the park without the approval of the Board of Supervisors. Michelle wanted to discuss this topic to ensure that the Board is still happy with that rule and open up discussion about how events happening at the amphitheater could be impacted.
 - The Board voted to keep the rule the same, but noted that the first year of amphitheater rental will be a trial year for all rules and regulations. If the Board needs to revisit the rule in 2019 they will.
4. Park and Recreation Ordinance, Special Event Ordinance
 - Michelle informed the Board that the Ordinance is out of date and needs to be re-written. She will begin the revision process and there share her notes with the Board for their comments and approval. She also mentioned that the Township may be re-considering a special event ordinance which could guide users of the amphitheater.

5. Community Event Designation

- After the discussion about community events at the last Board meeting in regards to amphitheater rental the Board discussed what is a community event? What does it mean to the Board if it is a community event?
 - The Board determined that in order to be given the designation of a community event the event needs to be approved and sponsored by the Park and Recreation Board and is free to the community. No fees will be waived for community events.

Old Business

1. Strategic Planning Meeting Summary

- Jerry and Sean gave a brief summary of the topics discussed at the Strategic Planning Meeting. They informed the Board that everyone is interested in expanding trail options, and putting in sidewalks and bike lanes.
- Sean also mentioned that the EAC is interested in working with the Board for the Spring Clean Up. Michelle explained that they are particularly interested in providing an opportunity for residents to buy native trees and shrubs. Sean would also like to plant trees along the trail for the clean up and he requested \$2,000 from the Park and Rec. budget for trees.
 - Michelle informed the Board of the 2019 budget and the board decided that \$2,000 was too much to spend. The Board discussed other options, but for now Sean's request has been pushed to the next meeting. Michelle will discuss the topic with the EAC as well.

2. OSC/P&R Subcommittee Meeting Reminder (2/27)

- Michelle reminded the Board that the first OSC/P&R Subcommittee meeting would be on 2/27 at 7pm.

3. Park Rental Clearance Discussion

- Michelle informed the Board that we do not need to ask for clearances of people renting our courts, but we would need to ask if the Township were to ever hire someone to lead a league etc.

4. 2018 Events

- Easter Egg Hunt (3/24)
 - The Board discussed the prizes given out at the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt. The Board mentioned that the items usually given out are cheap and don't work or end up as trash. They discussed various options including purchasing one-piece eggs for the smaller age groups and then having goodie bags for all of the kids. It was mentioned that stickers are usually popular and should be included in the bags. Caesar recommended that we find something else other than pinwheels for the Easter Bunny to give out and he suggested bunny ears. In the end, they determined that Michelle could make decisions about the prizes as she saw fit.

Public Comment

None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm