

**East Pikeland Township  
PARK & RECREATION BOARD**

**January 20, 2022**

**Minutes**

Present: Al Koons, Heidi Ferry, Lindsey Parsons, Andrew Batten, & Bruce Wunderley

Staff: Kim Moretti

Guests: Margaret Hodgkiss-Lilly, Ernie Thivierge

Al Koons called the meeting to order at 7pm. He welcomed Margaret and Ernie, who have both submitted Volunteer Applications and wish to be considered to fill vacancies on the Board.

The agenda was presented and approved.

Andrew motioned to approve the November 2021 meeting minutes. Heidi seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved.

**New Business**

1. Annual Reorganization
  - Bruce made a MOTION to appoint Al Koons as Chair and Andrew Batten as Vice Chair of the Park & Recreation Board. Heidi seconded motion and it carried unanimously.
2. 2021 Accomplishments/2022 Goals
  - Report was distributed to Board members for discussion.
  - 2022 projects include:
    - Riparian Buffer Restoration project at Hidden River.
    - Phase 1 engineering, permitting and bid specs for Hidden River Park & Preserve
    - Ridge Road Park engineering, permitting, bid specs and construction
3. Sponsorship – a list of local businesses has been distributed to the Board members for them to contact for possible sponsorship of 2022 events. Kim Moretti reported that 2 or 3 companies have already committed. The list will be further discussed at the February meeting.
4. Volunteer Vacancies – Al Koons acknowledged the passing of Sean McShane, who had served on the Park & Rec Board for 10 years and was heavily involved in development and maintenance of trails. The Board discussed naming the future mountain bike trail on the Woodbridge open space in his memory once completed. Kim Moretti suggested planting a tree in his memory at the French Creek Trailhead in the Spring. Joanne Jones declined to be re-appointed to the Board leaving two vacancies for terms expiring 12/31/24. Al Koons announced that anyone interested in being appointed to the Park & Rec Board should attend meetings, attend events and be supportive of park and recreation programs in order to be considered.

## **Old Business**

### 1. Woodbridge Trail Development Update

- Matt Gisondi & Al Koons cleared a portion of the Woodbridge open space to create a trail. Matt is working on a map of the property.
- A local mountain bike group has met and provided ideas for a mountain biking course on the property.
- Trees will be planted as a buffer behind the home on Kimber Drive closest to the trail.
- Cribbed steps project – April 30 and May 7 workdays are planned. Matt is recruiting volunteers for 2 shifts each day.

### 2. 2022 Events

- Snow Place Like the FCT 1/22 at 3-5pm
  - Heidi gave an overview of the planned event, including: craft projects, refreshments and logistics.

## **Public Comment:**

Resident Don Szabo asked if the tennis court was going to be excavated in order to address the cracking problem. Kim Moretti responded that there are no plans to dig up the tennis court.

Next Park & Rec Board meeting is scheduled for February 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.