

**East Pikeland Township
PARK & RECREATION BOARD**

November 17, 2021

Minutes

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

Absent: Sean McShane

Staff: Michelle Rubin

Al Koons called the meeting to order at 7:02pm. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the November monthly meeting was duly advertised and held electronically through the Zoom application via telephone and the internet, and also in-person at the Township Building.

Bruce motioned to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Heidi seconded and the agenda was unanimously approved.

Bruce motioned to approve the October meeting minutes. Heidi seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved.

New Business

1. December Meeting Date

- Due to the Holiday season, the December Park & Recreation Board Meeting has been cancelled.

2. Re-Organization Reminder

- Michelle reminded the committee that at the January meeting, committee members would be asked to select the Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary for the new year. She encouraged committee members to consider whether they want to take on a role and be prepared to volunteer at the January meeting. She also reminded the committee to be prepared to discuss 2022 goals at the January meeting.

Old Business

1. Park & Trail Maintenance Updates

- Kimberton Park: Michelle reported that the water was turned off to the bathroom this past week and lines have been winterized. Matt is meeting with an arborist for an assessment of the trees in the park, as there are a number that are looking unhealthy. The Township will be removing dead trees in the park in the coming weeks. Looking to schedule a date for the amphitheater light installation.
- French Creek Trail: Valley Forge Sewer Authority took down a number of dead trees along the trail. There are still some large trees to take down but they didn't have the equipment for it and will have to return. As the bridge and road get repaired, Matt is preparing the trail head to be re-opened as well.

2. Woodbridge Trail Development Update

- Al and Matt walked the property to try to determine other trail options. They have found a better way to connect to Kimberton Road that won't require steps or a bridge. This will require a more clearing work, but water crossings. The committee discussed their schedule for December and determined that December isn't a good month for a weekend work day. Al will talk with Matt about moving the work day to the new year.

3. 2021 events

- Moonwalk Recap
 - The committee members reported that the event went very well, with a lot of positive feedback from participants. The bonfire with haybales and food (popcorn, hot cider, etc.) were especially appreciated. The committee discussed not doing goodie bags next year, but focusing on the one candy bar instead, and adding a healthy treat option. Michelle reported that there were almost 100 no-shows.
- Hidden River Clean Up Recap
 - Al reported that there were around 30 people in attendance. The West Vincent Litter Lifters provided eight very knowledgeable volunteers. They pulled out a lot of tires, metal, and wood decking from the hedge row. Al asked about the tree removal plan for the property, Michelle reported that the Township had publicly released the request for bids for the project and that it would happen in early 2022.

4. 2022 Events

- Snow Place Like the FCT 1/22 at 3-5pm
 - Planning Meeting Recap— the Board met briefly to discuss the plan for the event and assign tasks for planning. January 29 was selected as the snow/rain date for the event.
 - Plan moving forward: Michelle will send an email recapping notes from the planning meeting and introducing Matt to the committee as the event liaison.
- Egg Hunt: The committee agreed to move forward with the Egg Hunt event in 2022. KYAL will need to be notified.
- KAMF 2022 date: September 17 was selected as the date. Will stick with the three acts and add a “small stage” performance between. 3-7:30pm.
- Family Movie Night Double Header Discussion: The committee decided to move forward with a double feature movie night in 2022, PG first followed by PG13. The date will be moved back a week to October 8 so the sun will set earlier.
- Moonwalk Date: event date set for November 4, 2022.
- Michelle also asked that the committee help to find food trucks for the July and August Summer Concert Series, as well as one dinner and one dessert truck for the Kimberton Art & Music Festival.

Public Comment:

Don Szabo, Township resident, asked a question about the arborist looking at the trees in Kimberton Park, which Michelle and Al responded to.

Andrew thanked the committee for a really great year, and other members agreed that it had been a great year of events and projects.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:46pm.