

**East Pikeland Township
PARK & RECREATION BOARD**

June 11, 2019

Minutes

Present: Andrew Batten, Jerry Miller, Joanne Jones & Al Koons

Absent: Sean McShane & Jonathan Work

Guests: Pam Brown (French & Pickering Creeks Conservation Trust) & Ron Graham (Supervisor)

Staff: Michelle Rubin

Meeting started at 7:03pm.

Minutes from the May meeting were approved without changes.

New Business

1. Graham Property Discussion – Pam Brown, French & Pickering Creeks Conservation Trust
 - Pam was in attendance to discuss the Graham property's conservation easement with the Board. She wanted to know the Board's vision for the property as a recreation space and any limitations of the easement that should be considered.
 - The board does not want to limit types of passive recreation, leaving options open for the future. Discussed impervious coverage allotment.
 - Pam will continue to work on the easement document and work with Township staff to finalize.

2. July Meeting
 - Wednesday, July 17 was selected for the next Park and Recreation Board Meeting. The Committee will meet at a Township property.

Old Business

1. Yoga in the Park
 - The first was rained out, but the second had 16 people in attendance. Getting a positive response on Facebook

2. 1st Summer Concert Series
 - The first concert is next week. The Board discussed selling drinks, but nothing else for the concert series. Michelle will check with Uncle B to ensure that he's ok with the Township selling drinks.

3. Kimberton Park Updates
 - Michelle reported that Public Works in continuing to work on park improvements. The amphitheater dressing room is finished, a new roof has been put on the concession stand, the water fountain will be installed, the tennis court has been patched, & the pavilion will be repaired (wood bees) and painted. Staff have created a spotted lanternfly management plan for the park and are working with Dirk Pest Management to treat the maple trees. Public Works is taking down tree of heaven.

- Board members asked about the water meter at KYAL. Michelle will check in with Al
 - Amphitheater rentals include a Summer Solstice event on June 22 and Shakespeare in the park on July 13
4. Crouse Property Updates
- Future Fundraising—Michelle encouraged the Board to start thinking of fundraising ideas and to email her with them. A corn maize fundraiser was discussed.
 - Grants—Michelle reported that the Township recently received the Schuykill Highlands grant for 20k in order to create a master plan for the park. Ed Theurkauf will be the planner. The Board asked to meet with him before the public meeting is held. Michelle will keep the board in the loop about the timeline and a potential date.
 - Naming Contest—a naming contest was released online for the Crouse Property. The goal is to crowdsource a number of possible names for the new park and then a poll with the best options will be opened sometime this summer.
5. Ridge Rd./Dog Park
- Michelle explained the order of events that need to happen to develop a portion of the property as a dog park. Township staff will put together a scope of work and then receive a quote to create a simple plan. From that quote a budget will be created, followed by a plan. At the same time as plan creation, fundraising can begin. The board hopes to hold a public meeting for people interested in seeing a dog park in East Pikeland and get their help with the planning and fundraising.
6. 2019 Events & Programs
- Kimberton Arts & Music Festival
 - Michelle reported about KAMF committee progress for this event. They have booked local band, AfroBear, still looking for a headliner. The Board suggested The Sermon or Splintered Sunlight. Looking for art and craft vendors, will send Board members the form.
 - Andrew will attend the next KAMF meeting to discuss sponsorship issue.
 - Summer Concert Series #2 – 7/18 As of right now Uncle B will be in attendance, Michelle will follow up
 - Summer Concert Series #3 – 8/15 Michelle was contacted by the owner of Bulls Dogs out of Plymouth Meeting who does hot dogs. Michelle received his Safe Serv certificates. The Board approved of him as a vendor.

Public Comment

- None.

The meeting was closed at 8:40pm.