

EAST HANOVER PARKS AND RECREATION

MEETING MINUTES – December 6, 2021

Board Members Present :

Zach Jackson, Yvonne Sharrow, Laurie Reichert, Kirby Reichert, Stacy Dove,
Karen Henry

Absent:

Guests:

None

Parks & Rec Director:

Ally Spielman

Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM

Motion made by Zach Jackson to approve minutes of November, 2021 Board Meeting. Seconded by Stacy Dove. Approved: 6—0
Receipts and Expenditures Report reviewed.

Completed Items/Events:

1. **Rec'd C2P2 Grant for Community Park Playground.**
2. **Invoices done for field rentals.** Reservations have begun for 2022. Kyliegh EHBSA.
3. **Aly met with Jen Fetter** (PSU Extension) about young trees on property.
4. **Greens donations for Wreath making – Yule Tree Farm.**
5. **Benches around trees at Dinosaur Park completed.**
6. **Storybook Trail completed.**
7. **Senior Programming:**
 - a. in general, low or no turnout. How to increase participation?
 - b. Autumn Leaves sometimes involved, but overall reception is poor.
8. **Halloween Parade**
 - a. Ongoing discussion about continuing to help fire company with parade.
 - b. Could we do an event (parade) in the Community Park?
 - c. Perhaps do a Trunk or Treat style event with tables throughout the Park hosted by organizations and vendors. Have activities & handout candy at each table.

Continuation of Business:

1. Holiday Extravaganza (12/4):

- a. Event went really well. Good turnout for Carriage rides (100)?
- b. Event too long? Shorten for next year?
- c. Tree lighting could be earlier. Prior to Santa's arrival.
- d. Positive feedback on carriage rides. They were a hit!

2. Eagle Scouts:

- a. Hayden, Troop 74 started mulching Nature Trail. Figure out QR Codes.
- b. Chris, Troop 74, built kiosk at Nature Park. Structural issues. Bryan and Public Works crew able to correct. Kiosk is ready to fill.
- c. Luke, Troop 200. Will build bluebird and perhaps bat houses for Nature Park.

Events Scheduled:

- **Wreath Making (12/10):** Volunteers for prep & night of.
- **Intro to Genology (12/13)**
- **Lanternfly (12/17)**
- **Chair Yoga for Seniors (12/29)**
- **Indoor Yard Sale:** 2/5/22 8A -12N. 5 spots left.
- **Valentine's** – Healthy cooking, Heart Health Theme. 2/11 6:30P- 8P
- **Geocaching Event** – in person? When?
- **EHT hosting National Night Out** – 8/2/22

2021 Goals with tentative completion dates:

- Open some VFW grounds nature trails by 6-1-21. **COMPLETED.**
- Install a Park Sign at VFW entrance that matches the Main Park sign. **COMPLETED.**
- Improve trails at Main Park to prevent them from washing out by 6-1-21.
- Finish trail extension in the Main Park by 6-1-21.
- Repair/renovate pavilion at VFW grounds so rentals are a possibility by 6-1-21.

2022 Goals:

- Connect northern and southern sides of park with a box culvert bridge?
- Replace small stage at Main Park. (most likely grant depend.)
- Replace playground equipment. (most likely grant depend.)

3-5 Year Goals:

- Master Plan developed for VFW property
- Dog Park.
- Connect the Main Park with the VFW Grounds (Nature Park) in a safe manner. Painting crosswalk on Old Jonestown Rd., etc. (needs twp. ordinance for crosswalk starts with lee, requires traffic study in house)

Park & Rec Board Member Terms (Expiration):

Karen Henry (Pres.)	12-31-21
Stacy Dove	12-31-21
Board Vacancy	12-31-22
Kirby Reichert Jr.	12-31-23
Zach Jackson	12-31-23
Laurie Reichert	12-31-25
Yvonne Sharrow	12-31-25

Meeting Adjourned at 8:14 P.M.

Laurie Reichert made motion, 2nd by Kirby Reichert. Motion approved by all present: 6-0.

Upcoming Park and Rec Board Meetings:

January 3, 2022

7 P.M. (LR)