

# **EAST HANOVER PARKS AND RECREATION**

## **MEETING MINUTES - October 5, 2020**

### **Board Members Present (on ZOOM):**

Laurie Reichert, Dave Hamaty, Zach Jackson, Karen Henry

### **Board Members Absent:**

Kirby Reichert

### **Park and Rec Director:**

Jhane Kunkel

### **Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM**

- Motion made by Dave Hamaty to approve minutes from August, 2020 board meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Laurie Reichert. Approved by all present: 4-0.
- Review detailed Receipts and Expenditures Report thru September, 2020.

### **P/R Directors Report**

- Jhane's Park Project Report (attached).
- **Repaint benches:** Hope Springs painted replacement planks for benches.
- **Redo roof entrance sign.** Have materials, need P.W. time to do.
- **VFW Property Nature Trails:** Map out with Bryan for fall construction.
- **VFW bathrooms:** proposed for 2021. Len, the SEO surveyed the property for connection to sewer and/or new septic tank. More to come.
- **Soccer parking lot:** To be done soon. Jhane & Bryan prepped site.
- **Nature Trail:** Awaiting Eagle Scout project approval: add signage, mile markers, and plant ID markers. Further information requested. Hopefully have an answer.
- **Rotted steps on Nature Trail:** materials purchased to replace them.
- **Stone Trail Additions:** Adjusting permit to accommodate change in trail. Fall project.
- **Nature Park proposal (VFW grounds):** Short term plans/proposal to BOS.
- **Property well:** On budget for discussion.
- **Parking Lot painting:** Need status update (Bryan).
- **Reevaluate current tournament contract** with EH Baseball & Softball Assoc.
- **Additional Swing set located:** installation depends on budget.
- **Short-term Lease Contract needed for athletic fields:** Jhane reached out to Lee, the solicitor. Need time to work on it. Nothing more on it at this time.
- **Digital Newsletter:** No print newsletter going forward. Perhaps send out postcard quarterly announcing events?
- **2021 Pavilion Replacement:** declined during budget hearing.

- **ADA Ramp for Park & Rec Annex:** Funding from a different source will allow for purchase of a pre-engineered ramp. Jhane and Bryan working on 30 –page permit. Huge expense.

### **Events:**

- **Fall Festival (10/24) 2-4P. Arrive by 1P Rain Date: 10/25.**
  - Registration Table – Check in.
  - Pumpkin carving out side on tarps, blankets, in parking lot.
  - Hayride (limited number of riders).
  - Gazebo decorated for photo ops.
  - Take reservations and assign families a work area that includes carving tools, drinks, snacks, etc.
  - Register 20 families. Up to 6 people per registration.
- **Halloween Parade (10/15)6-8P:** Reverse drive thru at the fire station. Hand out goodie bags. Still have competition. Decorate cars, costumes, etc. Volunteers dress up and arrive by 5P. At least 6 organizations participating.
- **Christmas Wonderland Event (12/5) 2-4P:**
  - Registration Table – Check in.
  - Carriage and pony rides – reservations in advance.
  - Gazebo decorated for photo ops.
  - Beverages & refreshments to tables.
- **Volunteer Day (11/7) Tentatively 9A -11A.** Help with clean up at the Park. Extensive list of chores for both main park and VFW grounds. Perhaps plant more trees.

### **Discussion:**

- **Table prioritization of 2021 Goals until next meeting**
- **Mesh Wrap around Pickleball Courts.**
- **Fill (2) OPEN Board seats.** Reach out to township residents.

**2021 Goals:** Jhane identified and charted goals that each Board member suggested.

- Dog Park at main park.
- Open the VFW grounds for nature trails.
- Install a Park Sign at VFW entrance that matches the Main Park sign. Use blue metal roof for both entrance signs, including existing sign at Main Park.
- Finish trail extension in the Main Park.

- Connect north and south portions of the Park. Bridge to cross the creek.
- Improve trails (Main Park) in some spots they don't wash out or redesign in those problem areas.
- Establish nature trails at VFW picnic grounds. Develop Nature Park.
- Repair/renovate pavilion at VFW grounds so rentals are a possibility.
- Replace the small pavilion at main park that was removed.

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:24 P.M.**

- Dave Hamaty made motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Zach Jackson. Motion approved by all present: 4-0.

**Upcoming Park and Rec Board Meetings :**

November 9th, December 7<sup>th</sup> 7 P.M.

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