

EAST HANOVER PARKS AND RECREATION

MEETING MINUTES - September 2, 2020

Board Members Present (on ZOOM):

Laurie Reichert, Kirby Reichert, Dave Hamaty, Yvonne Sharrow, Zach Jackson

Board Members Absent:

Karen Henry, Jennifer Carroll

Park and Rec Director:

Jhane Kunkel

Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM

- Motion made by Laurie Reichert to approve minutes from August, 2020 board meeting. 2nd by Dave Hamaty. Approved by all present: 5-0.
- Review detailed Receipts and Expenditures Report thru August, 2020.

P/R Directors Report

- Jhane's Report (attached).
- **Resurfacing the courts:** Done.
- **Bocce Ball Courts:** Done.
- **Existing Front Bridge Repainted.** Done.
- **Soccer nets:** Done.
- **Soccer parking lot:** Receiving free stone from another project. Acquired 300 free telephone poles to create a barrier around the soccer fields.
- **Nature Trail:** Awaiting Eagle Scout project approval: add signage, mile markers, and plant ID markers.
- **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):** In progress. Easy in-house work that can be done. Secure portable toilet for that site. Map out nature trails with Bryan.
- **Hope Springs Farm;** to repaint 4 wooden benches in the Park.
- **Parking Lot painting:** public works assessing to see about in-house or contract.
- **Drive in Movie:** September 11th: Create slideshow before movie. .
- **Additional Swing set located:** To be placed at Youth Sports Complex.
- **Short-term Lease Contract needed for athletic fields:** Jhane to work with Lee on this.
- **Digital Newsletter:** Jhane working on revitalizing the newsletter. Principal at Sand Beach Elementary referred her to Jim Hazen, Lower Dauphin Director of

Communications, to get approval for Jhane to send to parents of students.
Waiting for him to return her call.

Old Business:

- **National Night Out:** TBD.
- **Peach Fest:** Drive thru distribution at the fire house went well. 30+ cars. Had help from New Cumberland Federal Credit Union. They want to help again.

New Business:

- **Fall Festival (10/24):** Turn it into a daytime event with activities outside.
 - Pumpkin carving out side on tarps, blankets, in parking lot.
 - Hayride (limited number of riders).
 - Take reservations and assign families a work area that includes carving tools, drinks, snacks, etc.
- **Holiday Craft Project:** Replace wreath making. Schedule for November. Fall wreath. Stumps to decorate.
- **Halloween Parade (10/15):** Reverse drive thru at the fire station. Hand out goodie bags. Still have competition. Decorate cars, costumes, etc.
- **Tree Lighting (12/5):** Turn it into a daytime event like a “walk in the Park.” Have activities and photography stations. Discuss at next month’s meeting.
- **Relay for Life Presentation (9/12).** Rain date 10/19.
- **Volunteer Day:** Help with clean up at the Park. Extensive list of chores for both main park and VFW grounds. Perhaps plant more trees.

Discussion:

- **Roles and responsibilities of Baseball Association and the use of the fields at the school and VFW grounds.**
 - Jhane updated the Board on discussions with the Association.

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 8:30 P.M.

- Laurie Reichert made motion, 2nd by Dave Hamaty. Motion approved by all present: 5-0.

Upcoming Park and Rec Board Meetings :

October 5th, November 2nd, December 7th 7 P.M.

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