

West Pikeland Township 1645 Art School Road Chester Springs, Pennsylvania Minutes Park and Recreation Committee November 7, 2024, 7:30PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

a. Ryan Leithead, Jeff Loudin, Sam Wachsmuth, Jennifer Wachsmuth, Diana Urbanski, Janet Vrecenak, Nancy Bartley, Nancy Niggel from Parks and Rec in attendance. Tom McLewee, Carin Mifsud from the BOS, Sarah Newman from EAC and Harry Cowan from the township Public Works and Arthur from Open Space.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

a. Agenda for November 2024 was approved.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Minutes from October 2024 were approved.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

 EAC is doing remediation on invasives around the track. The pink tags indicate where they will be working.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Treasurer Report
 - i. Ryan reported use of \$155 for the fall fest.
 - ii. We raised \$500 at this event.
 - iii. Pumpkin race was great and should be bigger next year.
 - iv. Great idea to have a dog costume contest included in this event.
- b. Trail Expansion @ Walnut Lane
 - New trail 170 linear feet. Harry Cowan has a diagram and the cost to be brought to the township and then to the BOS for approval.
- c. Committee Updates: EAC and Open Space
 - i. EAC: Corporate volunteers available to perform tasks like weeding, mulch spreading, etc.
 - 1. A number of residents have requested that the tree planting be stopped so that there is open space for the children to play.
 - ii. Open Space: No report
- d. Disc Golf Update
 - i. Letter to Natural Lands and supporting Documents have been sent to Parks and Rec for review and comment.



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- 1. Parks and Rec to review asap and send comments to Sam. Deadline for Parks and Rec to review and submit comments to Sam by November 15.
- 2. Trees and shrubs planted between hole 1 and the playground.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Holiday Stroll Planning 12/13/24, 5:00 to 7:30 pm
 - i. Set up Dec 12, 2024 at 6:30 pm to set up
 - ii. Diana to bring wood
 - iii. Two fire pits (Ryan and Jeff)
 - iv. Jeff working on the beverages donation
 - v. Sell cider and pretzels
 - vi. Arts and Crafts (non glitter)
 - 1. Need to order ornaments (Jeff)
 - vii. Need new prizes. (Jeff)
 - viii. Montgomery School students will be helpers.
 - ix. Signage needed (Ryan)
 - x. Member participation: 6 of us will be at event
- b. Playground Ground
 - i. Pine Creek Park.
 - 1. Township budget is very tight this year. The grant terminates in 2026 and gives us more time for fundraising.
 - a. Tom will verify the grant termination date in writing.
 - b. To date we have \$37K in donations. Thanks to all who donated.
 - c. Parks and Rec has a budget surplus and voted to do a Did You Know mailer to raise funds. Will note that a \$20 a family donation from every township family would cover the cost of the new playground.
 - ii. Play Climber at Pine Grove Park
 - 1. A Family wants to donate a climber for Pine Grove Park in memory of their son.



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- 2. Need a climber that is safe and is professionally installed over an approved cover deep enough to provide adequate support.
- 3. Ryan will provide information to the family about the type and cost of a climber for this location.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. Next Meeting 12/12/2024 at 6:30 PM to set up for the Holiday Stroll

VIII. ADJOURN

a. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM

