## East Whiteland Township Municipal Building

Park and Recreation Board

The Park and Recreation Board works closely with Township staff to see that the parks are well maintained and available for public use. They actively work with the various sports leagues to monitor the need for fields and with neighborhood groups to see that most recreational activities are provided for in one or another of the Township parks.

## AGENDA:

- 1) Welcome/ Roll Call
  - a) In attendance was C. Barbera, T. Phelps, B. Thav, A. Snyder, K. Thomas, J. Nagel, B. Steele, M. McGuire. Absent: G. Keyes.
- 2) Approval of Minutes January 24, 2017 meeting
  - a) T. Phelps made a motion to amend the minutes. M. Mcguire is Vice Chair and T. Phelps is out. Otherwise the minutes are approved.
- 3) Confirm Secretary & Vice Chair
  - a) A. Snyder confirmed election as Secretary, M. McGuire confirmed as Vice Chair.
- 4) Board Agenda & Minute Tools any update
  - a) Secretary will need to learn new program to take notes online.
- 5) Project Update: Staff, Amanda
  - a) Birch Road Park Proposal(s)
    - i) Status of vendor quotes & PECO response
      - (1) J. Nagel said 7 out of 9 engineers have approved the plan. Waiting for approval and then waiting to find out the funding approved from Peco
    - ii) Plan for communication to residents
      - (1) not at this time.
  - b) Recognition plaque for Dave Pohlman.
    - i) Ready for installation.
      - (1) Installation
    - ii) A. Snyder has the plaque ready to be installed. Needs to give it to B. Steele to install and let Ginger Pohlman know. J. Nagel will take a picture and send an email blast about it.
  - c) Valley Creek Park work update
    - i) Playground & Pavilion
      - (1) Should be finished by March
    - ii) Recoating of Tennis Courts
      - (1) May have to put recoating out for bid. May not be ready for USTA.
    - iii) Painting of stucco on the park house
      - (1) Contractors are pricing and are ready to proceed.
- 6) Updates from sub committees on goals working session
  - a) Open Space & Trails Committee Update
    - i) Met with the township building board of commissions. It was suggested the subcommittee meets with Limerick township.

- ii) Working on updating the map. Can not move forward without the map.
- iii) need to investigate land grants
- b) Swanenburg Discussion
  - i) GVCO proposed to use Swanenburg for sports recreation. They are going to attend the board meeting on March 8th to make the proposal. Questions were brought up about neighbors feelings about lights, about giving up public space for the community, and being able to get revenue while maintaining open space. There was concern over having turf fields. T.Phelps raised a question about a traffic study.
- 7) New Business
  - a) Ribbon Cutting at Valley Creek Park
    - i) will plan it in conjunction with the concerts. June 14th is the proposed date. Face painting (girl scouts?), balloon animal maker, Jamba Juice, pizza truck proposed.
    - ii) J. Nagel is looking into discretionary money
  - b) Battle of the Clouds Playground Renewal Proposal
    - i) MOMs Club of Malvern
      - (1) Erin Tedesco emailed the township about an all abilities park.
      - (2) There is a well at Battle of the Clouds, so the water feature would not be possible.
      - (3) Will the mom's club start a friends of the park group to raise money? Can they create a fundraising timeline?
      - (4) Will they raise a certain amount of money first before the township makes a commitment.
      - (5) Would the mom's club discuss scaling down the plan? It may disrupt parking and the soccer fields.
      - (6) Can the mom's club create a petition with East Whiteland residents about a demand for an ADA playground?
      - (7) Invite the mom's club to the March meeting to discuss further.
- 8) Fees
  - a) J. Nagel is suggesting an increase in fees for recreation. Need to have a standing agenda item for November about reviewing fees to approve by January
- 9) Invite Michelle Foran to discuss camp.
- 10) M. McGuire stated that Workspace wants to work with the township about improving the steps by Valley Creek Park. Their contact has been in communication several times about improving the steps.
- 11) G. Keyes sent a note stating there is a tree down across the path at Ecology park. Near the west end of Boardwalk there is a dangling branch.
- 12) Public Comment
  - a) No comment.
- 13) Action Item Recap
  - a) Next meeting Tuesday, March 28, 2017 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month
- 14) Adjournment
  - a) 8:57pm