

PARKS & RECREATION
EAST WHITELAND TOWNSHIP

March 28, 2017

MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order – 7:00pm
 - a. In attendance: Amanda Snyder, John Nagel, Matt McGuire, Gail Keyes, Barbara Ann Thav, William Steele, Kristin Thomas, Chuck Barbara, Michelle Fasano (camp director) Absent: Tim Phelps.
2. Approval of the February 28, 2017 meeting minutes
 - a. Amanda Snyder needs to edit February minutes to reflect information about the plaque. It should be moved from the Birch Rd Proposal to it's own category. Upload to website once edited. Email March notes to the board, upload once approved at next meeting.
3. Discussions:
 - a. GVCO Report – Keith Walsh
 - i. Keith Walsh was supposed to attend, but did not.
 - b. Plan for Valley Creek Ribbon Cutting Event, June 14
 - i. Per Michelle Fasano: Entertainment Connexions can provide magicians, jugglers, face painters, moonbounces. Amanda Snyder will get a quote for balloon animals, face painting or jugglers
 - ii. 5:30 for a food truck to show up before the 6:30 show. Trucks stay til 8

1. Possible trucks: Nutrition 360, Jamba Juice,
- iii. Chuck Barbera will provide scissors and ribbon.

c. Social Media Policy and Practice

- i. Kristin Thomas asked whether we want to use the facebook page that was already created for EW parks and rec. John Nagel said it should go through central office. Kristin will call Christina and give access to the parks facebook page.

d. Michelle Fasano attended to discuss the summer camp.

- i. Camp is at KD markley. 130 campers can attend.
- ii. new website: myrec.com used to register for the camp. If you need help, you can call the township.
- iii. groups: dance, indoor games, arts and crafts, outside activities, tye dye day, puffy paint day, magician
- iv. completed Kindergarten through 6th grade
- v. Talent show at the end of the summer
- vi. 5 weeks, June 26-July 28
- vii. Fridays are field trip days: parks, grand slam...
- viii. \$225 for East Whiteland Residents, \$290 for non-residents that go to KD Markley

4. Public Comment: General

- a. none

5. Old Business:

- a. Update from the Open Space & Trails Committee
 - i. Tim Phelps met with Dan Kerr at Limerick township. Need to define open space. Open space includes what we own, what the public owns, private sector (what is owned but is not going to be developed). Schools, golf courses, cemeteries, etc. Chuck Barbera said that we need to request an inventory list from Scott Greenly. Brandywood Conservancy can help with managing the campaign and developing the policy.
- b. Update from the Swanenburg Property Use Sub Committee
 - i. Gayle Keyes suggested allow a phase one of amenities.
 - ii. GVCO would like to lease the whole property.
 - iii. property is significant to the township because it is connected to the trail.
 - iv. Chuck Barbera suggested asking the mom's club if they could move the proposal for the ADA playground to Swanenburg from their original idea to upgrade Battle of the Clouds.
 - v. Kristin Thomas suggested going with the original plan.
 - vi. Barbara Ann Thav suggested just to keep it as open space.
 - vii. John Nagel said that we would need a sustainable funding stream to develop the property.
 - viii. Amanda Snyder suggested a survey. John Nagel said we need to come up with a plan first.
 - ix. Matt McGuire suggested we start with paths and a parking lot, Then develop more in phases. We need an approval for a proposal for a site

plan. Parks members need to attend the next supervisor's meeting on April 12. Ideas to be included could be a stone parking lot, split rail fence, trash cans, two benches, a sign, a paved path to the chester valley trail, and a mowed path. Another option is that we wait until the open space proposal is finished.

- c. Valley Creek Park Project Update
 - i. Almost finished. Need to do the black top and germinate the grass.
 - d. Birch Road Park Project Update
 - i. Peco engineers are in the process of approving the project. John Nagel said we can put it out for bid once the engineers approve it. Chuck Barbara suggested we post updates on the East Whiteland Website.
6. New Business:
- a. Brandywine Conservancy's Subscribers Program – Saturday morning, April 1, 2017. Primer on long-term stewardship of municipality-owned open space.
7. Meeting Adjournment
- a. 9:15pm

Notes taken by Amanda Snyder.