

EAST WHITELAND TOWNSHIP PARK & RECREATION BOARD

August 22, 2023 (in-person)

Meeting Notes

1. Call to Order & Housekeeping – 7:00 p.m.
 - i. Board in Attendance: Tom O’Neill, Carol Rapp, Gail Keyes, Tim Phelps, Amit Kohli
Board Absence: Tara Pellini
Staff in Attendance: Catherine Ricardo
Board in Attendance: Scott Lambert
 - ii. Approve July, 2023 meeting minutes – Approved
 - iii. Consider adding an Alternate to the Board – grant voting rights if an absence on Board; needs to go before BOS

2. Updates
 - i. Supervisor’s Actions from August BOS meeting:
 - Pending Sale of sewer system may impact spending for parks
 - ii. Trail Connections (Sidley, KDM, Patriot’s Path, Moores Road)
 - Sidley – moving ahead; have grant \$\$; will want to remove the partial trail
 - KDM – no update but will comply when notified to do so (have one year)
 - Patriot’s Path – no update
 - Moores Road – has to go before a Facilities commission first
 - iii. Bench/Tree/Plaque process – Mom’s Club Request
 - Was able to get the revised language back from the family; approved and sent to Public Works for installation at Bacton Hill
 - iv. Parks (Project Status Update): no updates
 - Down East
 - Bacton Hill
 - Valley Creek
 - Battle of the Clouds
 - Birch
 - Develop right of first refusal for open space
 - v. Friends of East Whiteland Parks & Recreation
 - No update – have not met
 - vi. Sub-committees:
 - Cricket Pitch committee (AK, G. Keyes)
 - Looking at four properties on Rt 30 (where boy scouts sell trees – Piazza); Deerfield Lane; Bacton Hill
 - Playground equipment committee (C. Rapp, G. Keyes, J. Neild)
 - Held summary meeting 8/8/23; data will be used to update website and track capital for Parks
 - GVCO committee (T. O’Neill, T. Pellini)
 - No update
 - Bacton Hill Park Grand Opening committee (Scott, Tom, & AK)
 - Ribbon cutting 9/7 at 6:00 p.m. – to include reps from county, township
 - Saturday 9/9 11:30 – 1:30
 - 1) Free ice cream from Scoops N Smiles
 - 2) Police holding bike raffle – proceeds go to Friends Group
 - 3) Raffle for Phillies tickets & Starbucks
 - 4) Historical Commission will be on site to share history of Bacton Hill

- 5) Hoping to have Bubbletopia participate
 - 6) Invite Natural Lands, Katie Muth, Kristine Howard (Scott to handle reps)
 - o Install a stop sign where paved path meets up with CVT
3. Business to Discuss
- i. Recap last Summer Concert – “The Chill on the Hill”
 - August 16th – Big Take Over/Big Sandy
 - o Great turn out for concert
 - o AK was in attendance as P&R representative
 - ii. Summer Movie Night – August 26th “Super Mario Bros. Movie” 6:45pm
 - Wawa to make donation
 - Characters in costume
 - Gift cards for costume contest
 - Need lights for the path
 - Donation jar – label as Friends of East Whiteland Parks & Recreation
 - iii. Park Signs
 - Sign up on Swedesford for Bacton Hill – to add a non-LED sign at park entrance
 - Valley Creek – plan to have an LED sign to replace current sign
 - Other parks to be non-LED signs
4. Public Comment – EWT seal on electronic billboard at 29
5. Next Meeting September 26, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. (in person)
6. Meeting Adjournment