

FERGUSON TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, May 20, 2021
4:00 P.M.

I. ATTENDANCE

The Parks and Recreation Committee held its regular meeting on Thursday, May 20, 2021, via Zoom in attendance were:

Committee:

Norris Muth- Chairperson
Tessa Antolick- Vice Chair
Jerry Learn-Secretary
Dr. Shawna Doerksen-Absent
Connie Puckett-Absent
Bill Keough
Rob DeMayo
Rick Tetzlaff-Absent

Staff:

Centrice Martin, Assistant Manager
Summer Brown, Recording Secretary

Others in attendance: Sasha Walls, Ferguson Township Intern.

II. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Norris Muth called the Thursday, May 20, 2021 Park and Recreation meeting to order at 4:15 pm.

III. CITIZEN'S INPUT

None.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Muth called for a motion to approve the April 15, 2021 minutes. Mr. Jerry Learn moved to accept as written, Ms. Tessa Antolick seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1. PLAYGROUND SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT – JEFF RESSLER, ZONING ADMINISTRATOR-** This agenda item will be moved to the June meeting.
- 2. REVIEW OF THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE RECREATION, PARKS AND OPEN SPACE PLAN UPDATE SCORECARD-** Ms. Centrice Martin stated that Staff will be relying heavily on the Parks Committee for the Recreation, Parks, and Open Space Plan. Ms. Martin noted that the consultant score card and request for proposal (RFP) is attached to the agenda and staff would like the Committee to review the scorecard. Ms. Martin stated that one scorecard will come from the entire committee, staff will review the scorecard and proposals for recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Committee reviewed the score card. Ms. Martin noted that proposals are due may 30th and will be seen by the Committee at the June meeting.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. FERGUSON TOWNSHIP 2022-2026 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET – PARKS TOUR-** Ms. Martin stated that this is a 5 year program from 2022-2026. Dr. Muth stated that the Committee will need to decide what needs to be visited during the Committee's parks tour. Ms. Martin stated that the Committee can review the budget and decide what the Township should pursue and what can be pushed to a later year. Dr. Muth stated that most of these do not require a park visit. Dr. Muth asked for a document that shows all parks that need updated phases/masterplans. Ms. Martin stated that staff can compile a document of masterplans and

the committee can review. The Committee discussed the capital improvement program budget and decided to visit the following parks:

- Cecil Irvin park
- Fairbrook
- Greenbriar
- Suburban Park
- Homestead Park

VII. PROCLAMATION – 2021 PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH- Dr. Muth moved that the Committee recommend to approve the Parks and Recreation Month proclamation to the BOS, Mr. Learn seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

VIII. REPORTS

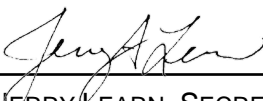
- 1. STAFF REPORT-** Ms. Martin stated that the bike chat was canceled due to lack of participants. Ms. Martin suggested the Committee host the bike chat during the Parks meeting next year. Ms. Martin noted that staff received a request asking for more accessibility to Parks. Ms. Martin stated that the Green Infrastructure policy approved by the BOS.
- 2. CENTRE REGION PARKS AND RECREATION AUTHORITY REPORT – MR. BILL KEOUGH-** Mr. Keough stated that the Whitehall Road Park will have an ADA playground. Mr. Keough stated that he plans on approaching Sheetz for Capital for the park. Mr. Keough stated that a Parks and Recreation guide was sent in the mail, this guide shows all programming that is available in the Centre region. Mr. Keough stated that the pandemic has increased park use. Region pools will open in 9 days. Tudek dog park has added a 4th pod to alternate enclosed areas for rest time.

IX. OPEN DISCUSSION

X. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Muth entertained a motion to adjourn the Thursday, May 20, 2021 Parks and Recreation meeting at 6:00 pm. Mr. Rob Demayo made a motion to adjourn, Dr. Muth seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



JERRY LEARN, SECRETARY
FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE