



TOWNSHIP OF FERGUSON

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FERGUSON TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Meeting Agenda

Thursday, May 12, 2022, 4:00 P.M.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84430721446>

Meeting ID: 837 2598 6340

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. CITIZEN'S INPUT

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. UPDATE ON THE UPDATE TO THE RECREATION, PARKS AND OPEN SPACE PLAN

Narrative

Ms. Tracy Strickland, with HRG, presented a status update on the Recreation, Parks, and Open Space Plan to the Board of Supervisors on April 5, 2022 and offered further information during BOS work session. BOS stressed opportunities to integrate work with existing initiatives such as the Pine Grove Mills Small Area Plan. The presentation may be viewed by accessing the C-NET recorded video available on their website. The [link to view the presentation](#) is provided below. Ms. Strickland and Ms. Mendisky will in attendance at the next Parks and Recreation Committee meeting scheduled for June 14, 2022.

[C-NET VOD Player \(telvue.com\)](#)

2. UPDATE ON SONGBIRD SANCTUARY PHASE 1

Narrative

The Board of Supervisors approved the Songbird Sanctuary Park Master Plan by resolution. Master Planning for this park has been underway since 2019 with a steering committee, comprised of staff and residents, organized to have a multidisciplinary approach for a collaboration methodology. The Ferguson Township Public Works Department (FTPW) began constructing Songbird Sanctuary Park – Phase 1 earlier this year. To date, FTPW began clearing of trees and brush for a natural perimeter trail. FTPW will continue to dedicate time to construct Phase 1 over the next couple of months.

3. UPDATE ON HOMESTEAD PARK PLAYGROUND

Narrative

The Board of Supervisors accepted the Parks and Recreation Committee's recommendation to install the suggested playground equipment. The Board of Supervisors received a petition opposing the suggested location for the playground equipment installation. The Board approved the playground equipment and voted to have poured-in-place rubber surface area installed at the playground site. Poured-in-place is an ADA accessible material and serves as the first ADA surface area installed in Ferguson Township. The installation is complete and the township's playground safety inspector provided an inspection report. There are a few items to be completed by the contractor prior to the playground equipment being opened for use. The Township will provide a notification on the website and on social media when the playground site is available for the public.

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. INTRODUCTION OF TOWNSHIP ARBORIST – LARRY MAGINNIS

Narrative

Larry is a State College native, joining us from Portland, Oregon where he served as Tree Maintenance Operations Manager since 2011. The arborist manages over 5,000 street trees as well as review development plans and perform inspections.

VI. REPORTS

1. Staff Report
2. Centre Region Parks and Recreation Authority Report – Mr. Bill Keough

VII. OPEN DISCUSSION

VIII. ADJOURNMENT