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Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Agenda

Thursday, September 17, 2020, 4:00 p.m.

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- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. CITIZEN'S INPUT**
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- IV. PRESENTATION ON COMMUNITY ORCHARDS**

The Township received requests to plant fruit trees in Township parks. One resident specifically expressed interest in planting fruit trees in Haymarket Park. Staff is in favor of exploring and discussing options for a community orchard. Staff also recognizes the additional work involved with maintaining a community orchard and understands that more information is needed before any consideration is given to these requests. Mr. King is in attendance to provide some general information to the Parks and Recreation Committee to initiate the discussion for options to be considered on ways to implement Community Orchards within the Township.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee receive the presentation from the Township Arborist, Mr. King.

V. 2021 OPERATING BUDGET FOR PARK IMPROVEMENT UPDATE

The Township is responsible for park improvement projects which include repairs or improvements that exceed \$2,500 and shall be budgeted in the rolling five-year guiding document, also referred to as the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), which the Township uses to plan for large expenditures. Staff is currently reviewing and beginning to prepare the DRAFT 2021 Operating Budget for the Park Improvement Fund. Staff is reviewing past budgeted park improvement projects in the 2020 Operating Budget (attached to this agenda) to determine what, if any, items should be carried over to the 2021 Operating Budget. Also attached for reference and consideration is the 2021 – 2025 Park Improvement CIP that staff will reference in the review process to prepare a recommendation for the 2021 Operating Budget.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee receive the update on the 2021 Operating Budget review process for parks.

VI. REVIEW OF TOWNSHIP PARK ORDINANCE

The Centre Region Municipal Ordinances vary with some inconsistencies across municipalities. Attached is the Ferguson Township Parks and Recreation Ordinance with comments and edits from Centre Region Parks and Recreation for the Township's consideration. Staff is sharing these comments and edits for the Committee to review for a discussion at the next meeting.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee receive the edits and comments to the park ordinance for a future discussion.

VII. REPORTS

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

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

IX. FUTURE REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS

X. OPEN DISCUSSION

XI. ADJOURNMENT

FERGUSON TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 2020
4:00 P.M.

I. ATTENDANCE

The Parks and Recreation Committee held its regular meeting on Thursday, August 20, 2020, via Zoom in attendance were:

Committee:

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

Staff:

David Pribulka, Township Manager
Centrice Martin, Assistant to the Manager
Jenna Wargo, Planning and Zoning Director
Kristina Aneckstein, Community Planner

Others in attendance: Summer Krape, Recording Secretary.

II. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Norris Muth called the Thursday, August 20, 2020 Park and Recreation meeting to order at 4:05 pm.

III. CITIZEN'S INPUT

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Muth called for a motion to approve the June 18, 2020 minutes but noted a change needed to be made to the spelling of "eminent domain". Dr. Shawna Doerksen made a motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Bill Keough seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

V. INTRODUCTION TO SECTION 22-513 PUBLIC USE AND SERVICE AREAS OF THE CHAPTER 22 SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE

Mr. Muth turned the meeting over to Ms. Jenna Wargo, Ferguson Township's Planning and Zoning Director. Ms. Wargo stated that Ms. Kristina Aneckstein is also present and will be the Committees point of contact. Ms. Wargo explained to the Committee the subdivision/land development review process/procedure, what the Committee would need to look for when reviewing plans, and the time sensitive nature of reviewing plans. Mr. Rick Tetzlaff asked if the Committee could request more information. Ms. Wargo stated that the Committee can only asked what is required. The Committee discussed how many plans would need to be reviewed and who would like to be a part of the plan review subcommittee, Mrs. Tessa Antolick and Mr. Jerry Learn volunteered to be the review subcommittee.

VI. PRE-FINAL 2021 PARKS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Dr. Muth stated that this was feedback on the recommendations that the Committee made. Ms. Martin noted that the changes that the Board of Supervisors made are highlighted. Mr. Robert Demayo asked what the reason was for moving items around. Ms. Martin stated that they all had different reasons from funding, comments from Parks and Rec, time sensitive items, and prioritizing things. Dr. Doerksen asked about Greenbriar/Saybrook Park and stated her concern about the playground equipment. Ms. Martin stated that she spoke with the playground inspector this morning and that park is on his list to inspect, once she reviews the inspection she will share with the Committee. Dr. Doerksen asked if there

is a compilation of all the playground equipment in the Township and when it was installed and it's life expectancy. Ms. Martin stated that the BOS requested a similar document and staff is currently working it. Mr. Keough noted his concern for the community orchard program. Ms. Martin stated that Township Arborist Mr. Lance King will be present at the September meeting to discuss that topic.

VII. DRAFTED GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE POLICY COMMENTS RECEIVED BY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Dr. Muth stated that himself, Mr. Keough, and Mr. David Pribulka have all met regarding the green infrastructure policy. Ms. Martin stated that this was just an update for the Committee and attached comments are in the agenda. Ms. Martin noted that staff needs to meet with Centre Region Parks and Recreation and revise the document.

VIII. COMMITTEE REQUEST- ACQUISITION OF PARKLAND

Ms. Martin stated that Mr. Learn requested this be on the agenda, as he had an area in mind and wanted to know the Township's process of buying land. Mr. Learn stated that he and Dr. Muth are supposed to get together but have not yet.

Mr. Learn explained that the piece of property he is inquiring about is a small wetland area located at the intersection of Tadpole Road and Whitehall Road. Mr. Pribulka stated that right now would be a tough time for an acquisition of land and gave some background on the last time this was done. Mr. Keough asked if Mr. Learn is looking for added protection of the area, wetlands have a lot of regulations and suggested he get in touch with the Clear Water Conservancy. Mr. Learn stated that he will do more research on the area.

IX. REPORTS

1. STAFF REPORT

Ms. Martin stated that the Township released information on the incident at Tudek's dog park and how to handle your dog/yourself while there. Ms. Martin stated that she will have an update on the Homestead park repair at the next meeting.

2. CENTRE REGION PARKS AND RECREATION AUTHORITY REPORT – MR. BILL KEOUGH

Mr. Keough stated that the authority had a meeting today and there is a couple things to report. The authority has finally opened the senior center on a partial schedule due to COVID. The authority will be looking at options for winter activities for the seniors. Whitehall Road Regional Park is continuing and the authority is getting ready to request bids for construction. Mr. Keough stated that Muscov lighting reduced the cost for the soccer fields by \$180,000.00

X. COMMUNICATION TO PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

XI. FUTURE REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS

XII. OPEN DISCUSSION

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Tetzlaff made a motion to adjourn the Thursday, August 20, 2020 Parks and Recreation meeting at 5:25 pm. Dr. Shawna Doerksen seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

SHAWNA DOERKSEN, SECRETARY

FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

FUND 34
PARK IMPROVEMENT FUND

34 PARK IMPROVEMENT FUND

Park projects that were previously budgeted in Fund 30 Capital Reserve are now budgeted in this fund. Fund 34 will be used for township parks capital items.

REVENUES

341 INTEREST REVENUE

	2018 Actual	2019 Budget	2019 Projected	2020 Budget
341.000 Interest Revenue	\$1,073	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$2,000

To obtain the highest return of interest in accordance with Act 72 restrictions and while keeping the funds liquid enough for current needs, the Township retains its funds in an interest-bearing cash account at Jersey Shore State Bank. The budget assumes a 2% annual interest.

367 DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS

	2018 Actual	2019 Budget	2019 Projected	2020 Budget
367.XXX Miscellaneous Contributions	\$387	\$0	\$387	\$0

This account reflects contributions from the public in accordance with the fund provisions.

392 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS

	2018 Actual	2019 Budget	2019 Projected	2020 Budget
392.001 Transfer from General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$150,000

Beginning in 2020, township park capital projects are included in this Fund. It will require funding from the General Fund. This account represents that funding

EXPENDITURES

454 PARK IMPROVEMENTS

	2018 Actual	2019 Budget	2019 Projected	2020 Budget
454.XXX Capital Projects	\$18,959	\$0	\$0	\$270,100

Beginning in 2020, Township park projects have been moved to this fund from the Capital Reserve Fund

The 2020 park projects are listed in the following table:

Drinking Fountain Replacements	\$5,000
Playground safety updates	\$37,000
Suburban Park FEMA/CLOMR/LOMR/PADEP permits	\$75,000
Cecil Irvin Park undeveloped areas	\$2,500
Recreation, parks and open space plan update	\$25,000
Haymarket Park tree and shrub planting	\$5,000
Songbird Sanctuary passive recreation amenities	\$75,000
Pave washout areas at Tudek Park	\$44,000
Convert 3 stormwater basins to pollinator habitat areas to increase infiltration at Tudek Park	\$1,600

Strategic Plan Alignment

The Capital Improvement Plan seeks to advance the goals, objectives, and action steps as outlined in the Ferguson Township Strategic Plan. Over the next five years, several of the Strategic Plan items will be accomplished through the proposed expenditures in the Capital Improvement Plan.

□ Objective 10.1: Promote environmental and social stewardship in parkland development.

2021	
Suburban Park - Phase 1 Design and Permitting	\$80,000
There was an appropriation in the 2020 Operating Budget for the Township to perform a hydraulics and hydrology analysis to design the floodway channel through Suburban Park to fulfill the requirements before constructing Suburban Park - Phase 1. This work is scheduled to begin mid to late 2020 and will require funding from the 2021 budget to complete the task.	
Suburban Park Offsite Trail Connection	\$2,500
Suburban Park – Phase 1 park improvements include a new ADA accessible route that would extend along the southeast edge to form a perimeter trail loop. The loop has a recommended option to create a southeast offsite connection to the existing trail that links to regional destinations, which will require a public access easement. Staff recommends funding based on market value to obtain the public access easement pending Penn State University approval.	
Suburban Park Phase 1A	\$550,000
The Suburban Park Master Plan Update was approved by the BOS May 2019. Staff recommends the Township initiate park improvements by budgeting for Phase A1 to allow for the drainage improvements, which will create a free-flowing drainage channel through the park. Also, part of this phase will include stormwater BMP's associated with the channel and the bridge/boardwalk crossings. The Township applied for and expects a grant award from DCNR C2P2. The Township's obligation will be 50 percent of the budgeted amount if awarded the grant.	
Park Surveying Program	\$10,000
Staff recommends the Township initiate the Park Surveying Program to annually prioritize and budget 1 to 2 parks to be surveyed for purposes of identifying the park property boundary lines to install corner split rail fence. The recommended program will support and assist Township staff in responding with timely and accurate information concerning park boundary lines in response to yard waste dumpings, matters, dead trees, sinkholes, mowing, and related onsite issues. Fairbrook Park and Greenbriar-Saybrook Park would be considered for 2021.	
Fence Installation at Louis E. Silvi Baseball Field	\$6,000
Improvements to the dugout area to address safety concerns.	
Songbird Sanctuary – Passive Recreation	\$50,000
The Township acquired 9 acres of the property identified as Natural Area Conservation on the 2008 Ferguson Township Official Map. In 2019, Staff, along with the Ferguson Township Parks and Recreation Committee, presented to the Parks and Recreation Committee the Master Plan draft. Staff will include cost estimates to submit a pre-final Master Plan to the Board of Supervisors for their consideration. The Master Plan recommends passive recreational amenities such as walking and dirt	

bike trails, educational kiosks, nesting boxes, educational signage, and benches for an enjoyable wooded area to recreate in an otherwise urbanized environment.	
Homestead Park Play Equipment	\$75,000
The Parks and Recreation Department is recommending updating and adding age-appropriate play equipment and installation by a certified installer.	
Fairbrook Park Master Plan Update	\$25,000
Fairbrook Park is a 23-acre public facility with playing fields, play areas, picnic facilities, perimeter walking path, hard court, and parking facilities. The park offers an opportunity to convert some of the highly maintained turf areas to low maintenance as no-mow or pollinator areas. A revised master plan would evaluate the areas of the park for conversion as well as consider improving amenities. The revised master plan is anticipated to be updated in 2022 to identify specific park improvements and a probable construction cost opinion to serve as a more accurate planning tool.	
Landscape Buffer at Whitehall Road Regional Park – Fund 31	40,360
Funds allocated to have the landscape buffer planted as per the Land Development Plan.	
Playground Safety and Contingency Program	\$37,500
This item provides funding for equipment upgrades and replacements to meet playground safety standards.	
2022	
Community Orchard Program	\$10,000
Some residents request a community Orchard program.	
Fairbrook Park Natural Landscape Areas	\$6,000
The Board of Supervisors approved a Grow Zone and two designated native landscape areas at Fairbrook Park. This appropriation will support the removal of the existing brush, purchasing seed mix, and signage.	
Compost Toilet Installation in Township Park	\$25,000
In December 2018, the Board referred a request to the Parks and Recreation Committee to review and recommend a location for the installation of a compost toilet in a Township park. The staff has obtained specifications on a Clivus Multrum Model M54 Compost Toilet and has budgeted an appropriation adequate for one installation at a location to be determined	
Park Surveying Program	\$10,000
This is a continuation of the park surveying program mentioned in 2021.	
Cecil Irvin Park Phase II	\$320,000
The Township plans to submit a grant application to the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' Community Conservation Partnerships Program in 2020 to continue the development of Cecil Irvin Park. Planned improvements include a porous pavement parking area off of Nixon Road, a pavilion, and a connecting shared use path to the existing developed area of the park. The amount budgeted reflects the total cost of the project, but a 50% grant match will be requested	

Chapter 16
PARKS AND RECREATION

Part 1
RULES AND REGULATIONS

§ 16-101. Definitions. [Ord. 873, 11/20/2006, § 1]

PARK — Unless specifically limited, shall be deemed to include all parks, playgrounds, athletic fields, stadium, tennis courts, golf course, swimming pools, beaches, band shells, music pavilions, recreational areas and structures, museums, geological and botanical gardens, and also entrances and approaches thereto, and all other land or property or structures under the jurisdiction of the Centre Region Parks and Recreation Board, now or hereafter owned, acquired or leased by the Township of Ferguson for park or recreation purposes. Also included are areas owned or leased on behalf of Ferguson Township for municipal park and recreational purposes by Centre Regional Recreational Authority (CRRA) and/or Centre Region Council of Governments (COG) upon designation of such areas as a "municipal park" or "regional park" by the Board of Supervisors by resolution.

PERMIT — Any written authorization issued by or under the authority of the Director of Parks and Recreation permitting specified park privilege.

PERSON — Any natural person, corporation, organization of persons, company, association or partnership.

POLICE OFFICER — Any peace officer of the Township of Ferguson, or State of Pennsylvania or any employee of the Department of Parks and Recreation appointed as a special police officer for the purpose of the enforcement of law and order within parks.

EXCRETA — All useless matter eliminated from the bodily system, as sputum, urine, fecal matter.

INTOXICATION — A state of any person being drunk, inebriated or under the influence of alcoholic beverages or spirituous liquors, taken internally or under the influence of drugs.

RULES AND REGULATIONS — Any rules and regulations hereby or hereafter established by the ordinance of Ferguson Township as promulgated by the Director of Centre Region Parks and Recreation under authority herein conferred.

§ 16-102. Interpretation of Rules and Regulations. [Ord. 873, 11/20/2006, § 2]

1. In the interpretation of the rules and regulations affecting parks, their provisions shall be construed as follows:
 - A. Terms in Singular. Any term in the singular shall include the plural.
 - B. Terms in Masculine. Any term in the masculine shall include the feminine and neuter.

- C. Extension of Rules and Regulations. Any requirement or provision of these rules and regulations relating to any act shall respectively extend to and include the causing, procuring, aiding or abetting, directly or indirectly, of such act; or the permitting or the allowing of any minor in the custody of any person, doing any act prohibited by any provisions thereof.
- D. Acts not Unlawful. No provision hereof shall make unlawful any act necessarily performed by any police officer or employee of the Department of Parks and Recreation or by any person, his agents or employees, in the proper and necessary execution of the terms of any agreement with the Department of Parks and Recreation.
- E. Permits. Any act otherwise prohibited by these rules and regulations, provided it is not otherwise prohibited by law or local ordinance, shall be lawful if performed under, by virtue of and strictly in compliance with the provisions of a permit and to the extent authorized thereby.
- F. State and Federal Laws. These rules and regulations are in addition to and supplement all state and federal laws.

§ 16-103. Conduct Prohibited in Parks. [Ord. 873, 11/20/2006, § 3; as amended by Ord. 952, 5/2/2011, § 1; and by Ord. 998, 1/19/2015, §§ 1, 2]

1. Disturbing the Peace. No person shall disturb the peace in any park by any act.
2. Immorality and Indecency. No person shall do any obscene or indecent act in any park, or display, expose or distribute any picture, banner or other object suggestive of sex in a lewd, indecent, immoral way; or enter a comfort station or toilet set apart for the use of the opposite sex; nor shall any person loiter in any comfort station or toilet at any time, nor shall any person dress or undress in any park except in dressing rooms provided for such persons.
3. Unbecoming Language. No person shall use threatening, abusive, insulting, profane or obscene language or words in any parks.
4. Soliciting Money. No person shall solicit money, subscriptions, or contributions for any purpose in any park unless authorized by permit from the Director of the Centre Region Parks and Recreation Department
5. Intoxication. No person shall enter a park in an intoxicated condition; nor shall any person have in his possession or drink, or use in any park any alcoholic beverage; nor shall any person have in his possession or use in any park drugs of any kind.
6. Weapons, Projectiles, Etc. No person shall perform the following actions within parks or playgrounds without having previously obtained

written consent and approval of the Director of the Centre Region Parks and Recreation Department. Carry or discharge an air rifle or air pistol, a paintball gun or paintball marker; fireworks (including rockets) or other missile propelling instruments or explosives a slingshot or a bow and arrow, or other dangerous weapons, excepting firearms, which have such properties as to cause annoyance or injury to any person or property; provided further that no person shall discharge any firearm within parks or playgrounds. The foregoing exception relating to firearms is intended to eliminate any prohibition relating to the carrying or possessing of firearms. However, the discharge of firearms in parks or playgrounds is prohibited other than for lawful personal protection.

7. Throwing Missiles. No person shall, in any park, throw, cast, lay, deposit or propel any missile except in the performance of an authorized recreational activity.
8. Dangerous Conduct. No person shall interfere with, encumber, obstruct or render dangerous any park or part thereof.
9. Excreta. No person shall emit, eject, or cause to be deposited in any park, any excreta of the human body, except in proper receptacles designated for such purposes.
10. Improper Admission. No person shall gain improper admission to, or use of, or attempted admission to any park facility, for which a charge is made, without paying the fixed charge or price of admission.
11. No use of snowmobiles, mini-bikes, motorcycles, or any vehicle recreational or otherwise except on designated roads, trails, or areas set aside for their use.
12. Disobeying Authorities and Signs. No person shall, in any park, disobey a proper order of a police officer or any Park and Recreation employee designated by the Director of the Centre Region Parks and Recreation Department to give orders. Nor shall any person in any park disobey, disregard or fail to comply with any rule or regulation, warning, prohibition, instruction or direction, posted or displayed by sign, notice, bulletin, card, poster, or when notified or informed as to its existence by a park employee or other authorized person.
13. Hunting and Trapping. It is unlawful to hunt for, capture or kill, or attempt to capture or kill, or aid or assist in capturing or killing of, in any manner, any wild bird or wild animal of any description, either game or otherwise.
14. Camping. Day or overnight camping of any type is prohibited except as authorized by the Director of the Centre Region Parks and Recreation Department.
15. Unmanned Aircraft to include radio-controlled, string-controlled, remote-controlled, and tethered model aircraft, and drones. Unmanned Aircraft shall not be placed in flight or landed in any

pocket, neighborhood, or community park. Unmanned Aircraft may be placed in flight or landed with a permit from the Director of the Centre Region Parks and Recreation Department in the Regional Parks (Oak Hall Regional Park, Hess Softball Complex), and Whitehall Road Regional Park) when not interfering with other permitted and scheduled events or activities. All Unmanned Aircraft operators must follow all Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) protocols to include safe operations, licensing, inspections, training, flight patterns, distances, heights, etc. Exceptions will be made for other parks for commercial uses only (i.e., commercial filming) with a permit request to the Director of Parks and Recreation. Remote-Controlled or Tethered Model Aircraft. Remote-controlled or tethered model aircraft shall not be operated in any park without a

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permit for the operation thereof issued by the Director of the Centre Region Parks and Recreation Department.

§ 16-104. Treatment of Park Property. [Ord. 873, 11/20/2006, § 4]

1. Defacing, Breaking, and Injuring Trees, Plants, Benches, etc. No person shall cut, break, injure, deface, or disturb any tree, shrub, plant, rock, building, cage, pen, monument, fence, bench, or other structure, apparatus or property or pluck, pull up, cut, take or remove any shrub, bush, plant or flower; or mark, or write upon any building, monument, fence, bench or other structure, or injure, deface or remove any property real or personal or any natural growth, structure, equipment, animals, signs, or other park property.
2. Setting of Fires. No fires shall be set in any park except in areas where fires are designated as permitted or except as authorized by permit issued under the authority of the Director of the Centre Region Parks and Recreation Department.
3. Discharging in Bodies of Water. No person shall throw, cast, lay, drop or discharge into or leave in any body of water in any park, or in any storm sewer, or drain flowing into said water, or in any gutter, sewer or basin, any substance, matter or thing, whatsoever.
4. Animals in Parks. No person owning or being custodian or having control of any animal, livestock or poultry, shall cause or permit same to go at large in any park except for dogs in designated fenced off-leash areas in accordance with posted rules and regulations. A dog or other domesticated animal may be brought into park; provided, that such animal is continuously restrained by a leash not exceeding six feet in length, and in control at all times, except that no dog or other such animal shall be permitted in the immediate vicinity of bath houses, wading pools, and children's play areas or in any area designated by signs as prohibited areas.
5. Horses. No person shall ride or lead a horse into or upon lawns or other areas in any park. Horses may be permitted in designated fenced pasture areas and established riding rings.
6. Waste Matter. No person or animal shall deposit, drop or leave any papers, bottles, debris, or other waste matter or refuse of any kind in any park or part thereof except in such receptacles as may be provided for the purpose.

§ 16-105. Traffic Control. [Ord. 873, 11/20/2006, § 5]

1. Vehicles to be Operated at Reasonable Speed, Not to Exceed 15 Miles per Hour. No person shall operate any motor vehicle on any roadway in any park at any rate of speed greater than is reasonable having regard to the width of the roadway, traffic, and use of such roadway, intersection with other roadways, weather and other conditions; and in

no event shall any vehicle be operated on such highway at a speed in excess of 15 miles per hour.

2. Repairs to Vehicles. No person shall in any park make repairs to any vehicle except those of a minor nature, and then only in cases of emergency.
3. Vehicle to be Operated on Roadways and Parked in Approved Areas. No person shall operate any vehicle in any part of a park except on roadways established for the operation of vehicles, nor shall any person park any vehicle in any area except those specifically designated for parking purposes.

§ 16-106. Regulated Uses. [Ord. 873, 11/20/2006, § 6]

1. Permits. A permit to do any act shall authorize the same only insofar as it may be performed in strict accordance with the written terms and conditions thereof. Any violation of any law, ordinance, or rule or regulation by the holder or agents of the holder of any permit shall constitute grounds for revocation, which action shall be final. In case of revocation, all moneys paid therefore shall, at the option of the Centre Region Department of Parks and Recreation, be forfeited and shall leave the violator liable for all damages or loss suffered in excess of such forfeited or retained money, and such moneys retained or damage paid, or both, shall not relieve such person from liability to punishment for violation of any law, ordinance, rule or regulation.
2. Public Events. No person shall conduct, operate, present or manage in any park, a parade, drill, maneuver, public meeting, ceremony, speech, address, public contest, exhibit, dramatic performance, spectacle, play, motion picture, fair, circus, or show of any kind or nature, band, choir, glee club, orchestra, without a permit.
3. Picnics. All organized picnics or outings shall be authorized by permits obtained previous to entering any park.
4. ~~Baseball and Softball~~Sports Fields. All organized teams, leagues, agencies, schools, churches and other groups must obtain a permit for these facilities before announcing schedules.
5. Selling Concessions. No person shall in any park exhibit, sell, or offer for sale, hire, lease or let out any object, service or merchandise or anything whatsoever, whether corporal or incorporeal, except under a permit issued by the Centre Region Department of Parks and Recreation.
6. Advertising. No person shall advertise in any park in any manner whatsoever for any reason whatsoever, except by permit issued by the Centre Region Department of Parks and Recreation.
7. Games in Designated Areas. No person shall throw, cast, catch, kick, play with, or strike any gameball whatsoever or engage in any sport,

game, or competition except in places and during the time designated therefore. Nor shall a person engage in or play a game or other sport or contest of a nature different from the one for which the designated area was created, except in such areas as are officially set aside for diversified games.

§ 16-107. Centre Region Parks and Recreation Department. [Ord. 873, 11/20/2006, § 7]

1. In order to provide for equitable use of park facilities, preserve park areas, and facilities, and protect the safety of users of the parks and their facilities, the Director of the Centre Region Parks and Recreation Department shall have the following authority, the enumeration of which shall not restrict the general authority and control of the Director over parks:
 - A. To Fix Time. To fix times when the parks or parts thereof shall be open to public use.
 - B. To Restrict Use. To designate parks and parts thereof as restricted to the use of certain portions of the public at certain times as he sees fit.
 - C. To Issue Permits. Under uniform conditions to be prescribed by him, to issue permits for regulated uses as hereinbefore enumerated.
 - ~~D. To Fix Charges. The Centre Region Parks and Recreation Authority sets is fees and policies each year for the use of park areas or facilities or privileges, to be utilized by the Parks and Recreation director for all permitting purposes.~~
 - ~~D-E. To Charge and Collect Fees. To fix, charge and collect such fees and deposits for the use of park areas or facilities or privileges as he the Director deems advisable to help defray the expense of the parks and their facilities.~~

§ 16-108. Enforcement and Penalties. [Ord. 873, 11/20/2006, § 8]

1. Police officers of the Township or state, or Township or park employees appointed as special park police, shall have the authority to enforce these rules and regulations.
2. Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part shall, upon conviction thereof in a proceeding commenced before a district justice pursuant to the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedures, be sentenced to a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000 plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, a term of imprisonment not to exceed 90 days. Each day that a violation of this Part continues shall constitute a separate offense.
3. The Township may maintain a civil action, in addition to any prosecution under Subsection 2 hereof, to recover from any party responsible

therefore damages for injury to park and recreation equipment and property.



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Staff Report September 17, 2020

1. Staff met with Centre Region Parks and Recreation to review and discuss the drafted Green Infrastructure Policy. This item will be reviewed and discussed with the Board of Supervisors on Monday, September 21. Staff will review the consolidated comments from Parks and Recreation Committee, Centre Region Parks and Recreation and the Board to update and prepare the pre-final Green Infrastructure Policy for the Board's consideration.
2. The Board of Supervisors adopted the Centre Region Fall Bike Event Proclamation which is attached.
3. The Parks and Recreation Subcommittee convened with the Planning Department to review the West College Student Housing Land Development Plan.
4. The two play structures at Homestead Park are closed to the park due to safety concerns. Staff ordered a repair kit and will prioritize this park repair as soon as the kit is delivered.



Township of

FERGUSON

Pennsylvania

Proclamation

THE TOWNSHIP OF FERGUSON, CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA TO PROMOTE AND SUPPORT FALL 2020 CENTRE REGION BIKE EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Whereas, Ferguson Township supports the efforts of CentreBike and the Centre Region Planning Agency to promote bicycle riding of all types throughout the Centre Region; and

Whereas, Ferguson Township recognizes the bicycle is a healthy, convenient, financially and environmentally sound form of transportation and an excellent tool for recreation, physical fitness, and enjoyment of Centre County's scenic beauty, natural attractions and friendly neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Ferguson Township supports the fall 2020 Centre Region Bike Events and encourages residents and visitors to experience the joys of bicycling through the Bike Scavenger Hunt, Bike Lingo Word Search, Bike Bingo, Bike and Munch, Fall Bike Anywhere Friday, Centre Region Parks and Recreation Virtual Biking 101 and Bike Commuting 101 classes and Teen Ride for Ice Cream, or by simply getting out and going for a ride; and

Whereas, Ferguson Township will host a Centre Region Bike Chat during the month of September to inform citizens about bike facilities and provide an opportunity to ask bicycle related questions; and

Whereas, the Centre Region is proudly recognized as a Bronze Certified "Bicycle Friendly Community" by the League of American Cyclists.

Now, therefore, the Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim that Fall 2020 Bike Activities and Events will be recognized by Ferguson Township; and hereby designates September 21, 2020, to September 27, 2020, as "Bike-To-Work Week", September 22, 2020, as "Bike-To-Work Day" and September 25, 2020, as "Bike Anywhere Friday".

Proclaimed this 8th day of September 2020.

Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors

Steve Miller, Chairman