



WILLISTOWN TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION

MINUTES 10-18-16 7:00PM

ATTENDANCE: Andrew Vaskas, Ken Lehr, Bob Kacergis, Denise VanValkenburgh

Absent: George McHugh; Vacancies: 2

Staff: Mary Hundt, Director of Parks & Recreation

Administration

Approval of September 19, 2016 Meeting Minutes: Ms. VanValkenburgh motioned; Mr. Lehr seconded; all in favor.

Board Vacancies

The Board interviewed Nick Boccella, Northern Resident, for one of the two vacancies. Board members had previously reviewed his letter of interest and resume. Mr. Lehr motioned to recommend that the Board of Supervisors appoint Mr. Boccella to the Parks & Recreation Board. Mrs. VanValkenburgh seconded. All in favor.

The Board discussed the remaining unfilled position.

Budget: 2017 as proposed to the Board of Supervisors

Ms. Hundt discussed the Parks & Recreation 2017 budget as proposed to the Board of Supervisors. She highlighted:

1. The request for matching grant funds to retrofit the stormwater management basin at Greentree Park. She explained that, if the budget is approved, she would be working with AKRF, an environmental planning and engineering firm that has pledged to assist with grant preparation pro-bono.
2. The request for funds to create a formal Greentree park entrance where the gate is located across from 3rd Avenue along Grubb Road.
3. The request for funding a facilities audit of the Willistown park system. Mr. Boccella will provide Ms. Hundt contact information for a firm he has worked with in the past.
4. The request to pave portions of Okehocking driveway infrastructure due to continual erosion to be split with Penn's Preserve Sewer Fund.
5. The request to design and present park signage design standards for Board of Supervisor approval and the request to fund the replacement and creation of a number of park signs. Not all signs will be replaced in 2017. This is a multi-year project.

Old Business

Trails

Okehocking Trail Corps Trail Workshop Summary

Parks

Ms. Hundt reported on her presentation of the Greentree Park Addition to the Open Space Review Board, and their recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. A discussion ensued.

New Business

Trails

Okehocking Trail Corps Session: Springhouse Trail Boulder Steps Oct 29, 9AM
Jon Nardi Eagle Scout: Completion of Springhouse Trail creation/bench cutting & clearing of yellow trail corridor.

Nike Site Discussion

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has released its Proposed Plan for the former Media Nike Missile Battery (PH75/78) Control Area in Willistown Township, which recommends No Further Action at the Formerly Used Defense Site. The Corps will host a

public information session to learn more about the document and to provide feedback regarding the recommendation of No Further Action. The public information session will be Thursday, October 27, from 6 to 8 PM in the Township Meeting Room. Mr. Kacergis intends to attend the meeting and will report back.

Programs

GO WilMa! 2016: Record Year!

Fall Sports Camps through October 22

Park Management

Communications

Ms. Hundt is working on the Towne Crier Newsletter: 2016 November Edition

Public Comment

None

Adjournment: Mr. Kacergis motioned; Mr. Vaskas seconded; all in favor.