



Meeting Minutes

October 21, 2019

Location: Township Garage

Park Committee Members: V. Michel Price, President | Bill Walker, Vice President | Kim Sippy, Treasurer | Laurie Ballenger, Secretary | Dave Lintner | Paul Dittman | Ted Sitchanoff | Cleo Kum

Liberty Township Parks Liaison: Rick Plummer

Call to order: 6:01pm with Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present – Michel, Bill, Kim, Dave, Ted, Cleo (6:16p), (Laurie – arrived late). Rick present. Three Committee seats are open.

Ratify Minutes, previous meeting: Sept minutes ratified, Bill motioned, Paul 2nd ; unanimous. August minutes ratified by email; Rick still needs them. Laurie later reported she sent this afternoon. Lynn White's name needs correction in the future.

Treasury Report: See attached. No changes from previous report.

Introduction of Guests: No guests present.

Township Liason Report – Rick:

- Connection to Milliken – Trails of Liberty to Turnbridge. Bid came up higher than anticipated at this time.
- There is concern over newly planted pear trees at Turnbridge path.
- Michel remarked how nice Turnbridge is currently. Mentioned they need trashcans and doggie waste stations.
- Installed signs “No Motorized Vehicles” on paths.
- Grant for 2020 from Shannon Ridge to connect into Cherokee Park.
- Recommend walking the new path from Cherokee to Turnbridge.
- New Dudley Memorial shelter almost complete. There will be a spring dedication for Chuck Holliday. All Trustees say they support. Rick and Dave will meet to look at location for a tree to be installed as part of the dedication.

New Parks Business:

- Committee seat dates of renewal: Laurie, Michel, Bill & Paul 12/2019. Kim, Dave, Ted & Cleo – 12/2020.
- 2020 Officer Nominations – accepted: Kim - Treasurer; Paul - Secretary; Bill - VP; Michel – President

- 2020 Planning:
 - 3/2 Lakota Summer Fun LEHS 6-8pm, 3/4 LWHS 6-8pm (confirmed)
 - 4/18 Bob Henn Spring Wildflower Walk, Dudley Woods
 - 4/22 Earth Day
 - 4/25 Garlic Mustard Pull, Dudley Woods
 - 5/2 Fossil Walk with Lynn White, possibly Cherokee Park
 - 5/16 Bird ID Walk with Larry, probably Dudley Woods
 - 6/6 Nature Walk with Bill W, TBD
 - 6/20 School of Fish, Reserves Park (confirmed)(need to reserve shelter)
 - 7/18 Butterfly Walk, TBD
 - 8/15 Tree ID Walk, TBD
- Michel would like to have a working inventory next year of the brochures used by the committee during events. Rick is revising the Parks brochure. In the past we have used up to 300 brochures during the two days of the Lakota Summer Fair. Monitoring the number of brochures used gives the number of contacts made at events. Only need to be concerned about professionally printed brochures.

Continuing Parks Business/ Updates:

- Ongoing talks about collaborating with Butler Co MetroParks.
- Fall Festival Parks Committee booth – feedback:
 - Cleo liked the inflatables, thought the booth space was small. Laurie has done a great job in the past. Thanks to Dave for supplying the raffle plants.
 - Ideas to streamline the booth next year:
 - Focus on mission statement
 - Parks brochures, maps, etc.
 - Recommendation of QR code or website referrals
 - Sub committee to start up in Jan 2020.
- Creek Clean-Up with Lynn White at Dudley Woods 10/26 (Also maybe Cherokee Park with Dave) – need to contact Lynn about where to dump truck. 17 people are currently signed up for event. Signs placed. Lynn should be supplying bottled water, t-shirts for registrars. Rick to supply first aid kit.

Round Table Discussion:

- Laurie – appreciated the meetings as productive. Suggested the possibility of a holiday event for the committee.
- Bill – When is next Pioneer Day 2020?
- Ted – How do we tie into global warming, climate change, etc.? How do we spark interest in events?

- Dave – business cars with park board/volunteer with email or website.
- Cleo – Facebook (Liberty Twp Page) – benefits of Parks page?
- Michel – Thank You to new members. Here's to 2020! We are open to new ideas.

Adjournment: 7:51pm - 1st – Kim, 2nd – Bill; unanimous in favor.

Next Meeting: Nov 18 at 6pm, at the Service Center.

Other Meetings: A December meeting or other gathering TBD. Jan 2020 meeting TBD.



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