



## ***West Hanover Township - Park & Recreation Board***

### ***Meeting Minutes***

628 Walnut Ave, Harrisburg, PA 17112

April 20, 2022

**Type of Meeting:** Regular Monthly Board Meeting

**I. Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by Steve Jones at 7:00 pm.

**II. Roll Call:** Russ Young, Bob Warble, Michael Powell, Kevin Trafka, Steve Jones

**Absent:** Jan Bahret, Julie Young

**III. Approval of Minutes:**

- a) **Wednesday, March 16th, 2022** – Michael Powell made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Bob Warble. Motion passed unanimously.

**IV. Public Comment** – Don Steinmeier would like to see parks be more ADA accessibility at our parks and would like to see this as a priority for the upcoming year of 2023. Additionally, he would like to see more reserved handicap parking spots at each parking lot. He suggested using Casino Grant monies and seeking out funding through Dauphin County Commissioners to consider purchasing a gold cart for senior events. Don Holmes provided all the ADA accessible options that will be implemented at Fairville Park this coming July 2022.

**V. Board Presentations:** Don Holmes was present to make the following presentations to the Board:

- a) Don gave updates on the trail restoration project at Fairville Park. This project was completed by Kent Brady, Dauphin County Vo-tech Teacher, and group of students. They did a wonderful job on this project.
- b) Don updated the board regarding the Houck Memorial project. This project is completed and Houck Memorial Park is hooked up to public water.

- c) Don discussed trying to set up possible dates again for the Board to do a Walk-thru of the parks. Board members suggested a brief meeting next month, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022, and then do the walk-thru during the remaining time. All agreed that this would work better than trying to do a weekend time. Next month meeting will begin at 6:30 pm and include a walk-thru of all the parks.
- d) Jeannette provided the board with insight on some of the changes occurring with the township website. These changes and the new website should be up and running by the end of the summer.
- e) Don and Jeannette updated the board with information regarding the 2022 Summer Camp program. Director and Assistant Director have been hired. Camp Counselors have been interviewed and hired. Applicants are still coming in steadily with our highest week at 42 children.
- f) Don discussed the variety on Boy Scout Projects going on in our parks. At Skyline Park scouts completed new benches, horseshoe pits, and Gaga pits. Fairville park will be adding an Observation Station – overlooking the trail. Maintenance guys have been working to clear brush and removed Tree of Heaven to pull back the tree line to provide ample space for the construction of the Observation Station. This project is currently working on gaining permits and funding. Another boy scout will be repointing and creating a concrete pad in front of the chimney landmark with the assistance of Dave Moreland through Witmer Restoration. These two projects will begin this summer.

**VI. Old Business –**

- a) Lenker Park pavilion – 2023 Project

**VII. New Business – None**

**VIII. Correspondence – None**

**IX. Upcoming Events –** Jeannette reviewed all upcoming events.

**X. Public Comment – None**

**XI. Board Comments –** Bob Warble suggested putting something up on Facebook about the seeking the opening for an alternate board member position.

**XII. Adjournment –** Motion made by bob warble to adjourn meeting at 8:00 pm, seconded by Michael Powell. Motion passed unanimously.