



West Hanover Township - Park & Recreation Board Meeting Minutes

628 Walnut Ave, Harrisburg, PA 17112

October 20, 2021

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: Steve Jones, Debbie Hetrick, Russ Young, Jan Bahret, Mike Powell (Alt.), Julie Young (Alt.)

Absent: Bob Warble, Kevin Trafka, Gloria Zimmerman

III. Approval of Minutes:

a) **Wednesday, August 18, 2021** – Debbie Hetrick made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Jan Bahret. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Public Comment – Don Steinmeier inquired about the temporary No Grilling Policy in the parks.

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

a) Don discusses the positive outcome from the Pot Pie Sale with a total of 70 gallons being sold. Plans for the upcoming Fall Festival were shared and included the following: Shredders Food Truck, Blue Grass band, Cider press, pumpkin carving, smores, hayrides, and Girl Scout participation of a haunted hayride drive by displays. Additionally, Don talked with board about exploring an actual Tree Lighting Ceremony with a community Christmas tree at Houck Manor. This would include a 22-foot Christmas tree in which the community could congregate at the annual Yule Log/Santa Run event.

- b) Don addressed the issues surrounding the bad well at Houck Memorial Park. He has met with PA water and has DEP involvement as well as discussion with CDSO to explore options to trench was to public water access by the Spring of 2022. Further preparations and discussion will take place in attempt to meet this goal.
- c) Don shared quotes with the board to explore their thoughts on placing a zipline at Skyline Park. Additional comments were shared regarding the completion of the newly installed playground equipment at Skyline park.
- d) Don updated the board on some completed and upcoming Eagle Scout and Girl Scout projects such as: Ga Ga pits at Skyline Park, Zen Garden at Fairville Park trail, installing benches, relining of basketball court, and painting back boards at Skyline Park, etc.

VI. Old Business –

- a) Lenker Park pavilion – waiting for costs of building materials to come down. This will be a 2022 project and will need requoted closer to that time.
- b) Fairville Parking Lot – Currently with engineers. Continues to be a work in progress. FILO earmarked for this project. It will be outsourced open bid for this 2022 project.

VII. New Business –

VIII. Upcoming Events – Jeannette reviewed all upcoming events.

IX. Public Comment – None

X. Correspondence – Jeannette shared positive social media reviews from Facebook and Instagram. Additionally, Jeannette shared feedback from a West Hanover township resident who expressed her desire in having a dog park within the township. She stated that she must travel out of the township to take her dog to a dog park, and she would like to see something put within her community closer to home. Don reiterated that a dog park was included in the Comprehensive Plan and it was recommended for the Fairville Park, but consideration was suggested to consider Skyline Park as a possible dog park location. Pros and Cons were discussed about both locations.

XI. Board Comments – None

XII. Adjournment – Motion made by Steve Jones to adjourn meeting at 7:52 pm, seconded by Debbie Hetrick. Motion passed unanimously.