

**EAST LAMPETER TOWNSHIP
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD**

March 27th, 2024

The East Lampeter Township Parks and Recreation Board met on Wednesday, March 27th, 2024 at the Township Office: 2250 Old Philadelphia Pike, Lancaster, PA 17602. Board members present were: Chairperson Jim Everhart, Ms. Diane Tyson, Mr. Chris Chretien, Mr. Frank Hollingsworth and Mr. Bruce Hess. Also present was Mr. Ralph Hutchison, Township Manager, Ms. Tara Hitchens, Assistant Township Manager and Ms. Stephanie Leakway, Administrative Assistant. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jim Everhart at 4:00pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The meeting was also held using Zoom, an internet web conferencing tool. A recorded statement was played regarding the use of Zoom for this public meeting which included instructions for the public to use in order to participate in the meeting via zoom.

Public Present in Public Meeting Room

None

Public Present via Zoom

None

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Frank Hollingsworth to approve the minutes of the regular February 28th, 2024 meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board which was seconded by Bruce Hess and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Public Comment

None

Reports

- a. Recreation
 - i. Mr. Chretien stated insurance for CV Baseball Association has been received. Games are scheduled at Flory #1, Flory #2 & Lafayette 4/15 thru 6/30.
 - ii. Mr. Hutchison mentioned CV Baseball inquired about using field at Community Park next year without having to rent pavilion.
 - iii. Mr. Chretien asked if the library has put posts in for Summer program yet. Mr. Hutchison stated he hasn't heard anything, but is sure they have been in contact with Troy.

- b. Grounds, Buildings and Trails
 - i. Mr. Hutchison stated restroom opening will be beginning of April.
 - ii. Mr. Everhart stated he had seen Township workers cleaning up branches & limbs that have fallen during the winter.
 - iii. Mr. Hollingsworth wanted to thank the Board of Supervisors for having the Porta Johns in the park over the winter, feels they were well used & would like to see them continued to be in the park next winter. Mr. Hutchison advised that is the plan. Mr. Hutchison noted a Porta John is being placed at the LHP trailhead.
 - iv. Mr. Hollingsworth mentioned that the 12 Mini Disc's are still in the box for use.

- c. East Lampeter Township Recreation Program
 - i. Mr. Hutchison reported we have received 5 expressions of interest for the Recreation Director position and are in the process of scheduling interviews.

Old Business

Mr. Hutchison reported Commonwealth Finance Authority Multimodal for the extension of the Heritage Pathway application was not funded.

New Business

None

Discussion

- a. Mr. Chretien spoke about rental rate increases. Ms. Tyson stated this would be something that can be addressed once we have a Park & Rec Director in place. Mr. Hess asked if other parks have different rates for weekday & weekend.
- b. Mr. Hutchison reported that at Gibbons Park they are moving the gate that blocks off the driveway from Old Philadelphia Pk., and going to set up some sort of temporary small parking area. Township will still be able to go through the gate for maintenance, but there will be a limited amount of parking spaces without going through the gate.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:25pm was made by Bruce Hess and seconded by Chris Chretien. Motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Tyson
Secretary