

East Coventry Township Parks, Recreation and Conservation Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: July 23, 2013 **Meeting Called By:** Bruce Stephens

Time: 7:30pm **Meeting Notes By:** Flora Kapp

Attended	Name	Attended	Name
X	Anne R. Sage	X	Flora Kapp
X	Bruce Stephens		Karen Nocella
X	Cathy Carney-Horner		

Guests in attendance: Mariea Geho, Supervisor; Sue & Eric Hughes

Agenda Item: Call to Order
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- Meeting called to order by Bruce Stephens at 7:30pm.

Agenda Item: Review of the June 2013 Meeting Minutes
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- Minutes reviewed by committee; Flora Kapp motioned to approve, seconded by Cathy Carney-Horner, all in favor, June 2013 minutes approved.

Agenda Item: Newsletter

- Committee informed that we received okay from Bernie to move forward with fall newsletter.
- Ideas for newsletter discussed by committee:
 - Up Close and Personal - interview Bernie -- Cathy
 - township events
 - 1/2 court basketball/pickle ball at Ellis Woods
 - redesign of web site – link to web site (Bonnie working on redesign)
 - Community Day 2014
 - date
 - request for crafters/flea market
 - Open space update – Open Space Committee
 - Fricks Lock update – Historical Committee
 - Native plants/birds to look for/word search – Eric
 - Volunteers needed
 - Ellis Woods Park clean up dates: 3rd Saturday each month beginning 9/21
 - "Remember When" article – interviews with longtime residents
 - Ann to interview Emma Turner

- Ridge Fire Co updates – Flora to check with Ray Kolb to see if there is anything fire company would like to add
- Schuylkill River Trail update – Flora

Agenda Item: Miscellaneous
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- Possible new 2014 events:
 - Mariea suggested an adult bike ride through township – she mentioned it was done in the past - Bruce to talk to Ray Kolb to see if he remembers
 - Plan community hike through the Ellis Woods & Maack trails
- Special interests – try to get community more involved
 - Anne thinking about organizing a birding club
- Marquee/sign for township building – Bernie is in process of researching
- Pottstown Health & Wellness Grant - \$25,000
 - Committee would like to see township apply for grant - grant deadline is 9/6/13
 - Use funds to build a pavilion – Bernie to discuss with Ray and Carle (?, park planner) for location, estimate of cost
 - Committee discussed possible butterfly garden planted around pavilion
 - Anne to talk to owners of butterfly garden off 724
- Ellis Woods Park
 - Eric informed committee that he would like to put in native plant garden at area on other side of bridge that he has cleared.
 - Discussed putting an information board/bins at trail head for pamphlets (the ones Eric created for Community Day)
 - Karen talked to Bernie about putting informational signs along trails – Bernie requested samples – Karen & Flora to research

Agenda Item: Past Items

- Basketball court at Ellis Woods
 - Plans to install ½ court (50' X 38') basketball court at township building in September which would also double as pickle ball court (40 X 20').
 - Committee reviewed stakes for planned court – all agreed to move forward with installation of court.

Meeting adjourned: 8:50pm

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Flora Kapp/Secretary