

## East Coventry Township Parks, Recreation and Conservation Committee September 25, 2018 Meeting Minutes

**Date:** September 25, 2018      **Meeting Called By:** Bruce Stephens

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

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

**Guests in attendance:**

Rick Tralies, Natural Lands Trust

**Agenda Item: Review of August 2018 Meeting Minutes**

- ❖ August 2018 minutes approved with changes mentioned by Bruce.

**Agenda Item: October Walk in the Park**

- ❖ Karen shared with the committee that Ann had been in contact with Connie Coppa and Mariane Keen Regarding refreshments and decorations for walk and they will be ready to go.
- ❖ Karen brought samples of the postcard announcement for committee to see.
  - Sue to print labels and let know when Karen can pick up.
  - Discussed meeting Wed 10/3 to label cards

**Agenda Item: Natural Lands Trust**

- ❖ Rick Tralies attended meeting to review his latest version of the plans for Ellis Woods Park.
  - Reviewed various plantings for the different areas around building and play area
  - Committee requested information and planning for activities in park geared to older children (8+), i.e. GAGA Court, swings. Rick also mentioned the need for access & items for children with disabilities.
  - Discussed covers for play areas for protection from sun.
  - Rick to send his photos of a playground in TX for ideas.
  - Karen mentioned request from resident for grills.
  - Committee informed Rick of the proposal for another pickle ball court and its placement.
  - Discussed placement of porta potty as not very attractive where it is currently located.
  - Discussed possibly doing away with porta potty and making outside bathroom more accessible with signage and open for longer hours (dawn to dusk hours/electronic automatic locking). Currently it is only unlocked during regular township business hours.
- ❖ Using \$7,500 as a match, William Penn Grant covers water quality.
  - Simple process storm water
- ❖ Rick shared with committee information regarding the PHS Training – Tree Tender (Pennsylvania Horticultural Society) as a way to purchase bare root trees at a lower cost to the township.
  - Three people from the township would be required to take the course to become qualified Tree Tenders.
  - At specified times trees are bagged and given out at the Navy Yard – we would need to pick them up

- Karen nominated Gary, Jason, and Bruce to take class (Jan 26 or Feb 2/\$40). She will seek approval at next BOS meeting.
- Tree planting could be a service project for Boy Scouts, ROTC, etc.
- ❖ Rick will revise plan and return when final plan is ready for review.

<b>Agenda Item: Pickle Ball Court</b>
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- ❖ Gary will contact Ray for a time to review plans
- ❖ Bruce cannot make next BOS meeting but has call into Bernie to discuss courts and requesting to be put on agenda for next BOS meeting
- ❖ Bruce to get length of current court
- ❖ Karen has meeting scheduled with a new sign vendor (Tues 10/2) to review project and will request proposal ready in time for next BOS meeting on 10/8.
- ❖ Karen talked to Ray regarding Ussler Trail; he cannot do any work on lower and wooded portions of Ussler Trail until winter and ground is frozen. It is currently too wet to bring any equipment through.
- ❖ Karen discussed upgrading planking through wet area of Wineberry Trail. This could be service project for Boy Scout Troop that originally did the work.

Meeting adjourned 9:25 pm.

Signed: Flora Kapp

Date: 9/25/2018

Flora Kapp/Secretary