

East Coventry Township Parks, Recreation and Conservation Committee May 22, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday 5/22/2018 **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	X	Karen Nocella
X	Cathy Carney-Horner		Gary Hughs
X	Jason Stouch		

Guests in attendance: Liz Willow; Natural Lands Trust - Rick Trailies

Agenda Item: Review of February 2018 Meeting Minutes

Karen made motion to approve February minutes, Cathy seconded, all were in favor, minutes approved.

Agenda Item: Natural Lands Trust - Rick Trailies

- ❖ Rick Trailies, Natural Lands Trust, attended meeting to review the Ellis Woods Park and Creekview Open Space Summary Proposal with committee.
 - Rick presented copies of his plan for committee to review:
 - Enhancing park with planting of trees/bushes (native species); along street, parking area and
 - Naturalizing drainage/catch basins
 - Committee ideas:
 - Shade sails over playground equipment
 - Flower meadows
 - Walking bridge over Pigeon Creek to Creekview development
 - GaGa Ball area
 - Removal of invasive plants - Rick explained that it requires a good plan to determine method of removal, species to be planted, and protecting area from deer as they do not eat invasives but will eat the native plants.
 - Discussed grant options:
 - DCNR (due in April) - need conception plan and reliable cost plan to apply for grants.
 - William Penn Foundation - focuses on water quality, circuit trails in urban communities and Schuylkill Highlands cluster (which includes East Coventry.)
 - Next steps:
 - Karen to forward copy of East Coventry Park Plan to Rick.
 - Karen to send committee member email addresses to Rick.
 - Rick to revise plan per meeting discussion.
 - Rick to walk park with committee members.

Agenda Item: Spring Run

- Committee agreed run was successful, good turnout, but thinking of changing date to April to avoid possible snowstorms as we have experienced last two years.

Agenda Item: Other

- Approval of Jason as committee member by BOS.
- Karen shared with committee that BOS gave okay for Brady/engineering to move with study for second pickle ball court.
- Committee decided to start the 2018 Pickle ball season Tuesday, 5/29; Tues & Thurs every week.
- Karen to ask Mary to put on sign and website.
- Karen shared with committee that Township should know by August if we will receive grant for trail signage.

- National Trails Day is in June; Karen suggested a East Coventry Trail day for the Fall; committee decided to schedule for October.
 - Will need approval for walk and expenses (refreshments, signage/mailers(postcard) from BOS.

Meeting adjourned 9:15 pm

Signed: Flora Kapp

Flora Kapp/Secretary

Date: 6/26/18