

East Coventry Township Parks, Recreation and Conservation Committee February 23, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Date: 2/23/2021
Time: 7:30PM

Meeting Called By: Bruce Stephens
Meeting Notes By: Flora Kapp

Attended	Name	Attended	Name
X	Bruce Stephens, Chairmen	X	Flora Kapp, Secretary
X	Cathy Carney-Horner	X	Karen Nocella
X	Jason Stouch, Vice Chairmen		Gary Hughes
X	Liz Willow	X	Frank Coppo

Guests in attendance: Connie Coppo; Cathy Subick, Historical Committee

Agenda Item: Review of January 2021 Minutes

- ❖ Karen made motion to approve January 2021 minutes, Jason seconded, all in favor; minutes approved.

Agenda Item: Environmental Grant

- ❖ Karen reminded all of the Pottstown Area Regional Recreation Committee (PARRC) meeting on Wednesday, 4-6pm. Discussion of invasive species and how to address them via a Zoom online meeting.

Agenda Item: Trex Recycling Program

- ❖ Jason reviewed the Trex recycling program and reported that the amount of work involved to gather, store, and report each month is too involved and time consuming for our Committee.
- ❖ Committee members agreed not to proceed.

Agenda Item: Update Trail Signage

- ❖ Karen shared with committee that last phase of signs were ordered and they are made by a company in Texas. The signs will be delayed (could be 3-4 weeks) due to the weather issues that occurred there last week.

Agenda Item: Update Riparian Grant

- ❖ Karen to call Michael Lane to let him know Committee is interested in the grant for planting trees and removal of invasive plants along creek, meadow and one field.
- ❖ Karen informed Committee that new bid for farming Maack Tract will include a new conservation plan recently completed due to the run off problem on this property. Plan stipulates that hay is to be grown first two years to restore nutrients. She will forward plan to Committee members and also find out what happens if no one bids to farm Tract.
- ❖ Karen informed Committee that Township has an Agricultural Security Areas Committee (A Kulp, R Kolb, B Preston, and M Moyer) and their next meeting is scheduled for 3/3/2021.

Agenda Item: Miscellaneous

- ❖ Liz discussed her work with the Veterans Cemetery. The cemetery is owned and taken care of by the Veterans Council. Members of Veterans Council are aging and would like to past the torch on

- to younger folks. She asked if Township would be willing to assist with the Memorial Service or if money from open space could be used to design plantings/benches for Cemetery.
- ❖ Committee interested but may be out of Township jurisdiction and requested Liz to find out more information about ownership and needs.
 - ❖ Kathy, Historical Committee, thinks this may be a good Girl Scout project. She asked if Veterans in this cemetery have been documented; Liz said they are all unknown. Kathy also mentioned she thought Gail Brown was looking into another cemetery near Sanatoga.
 - ❖ Committee decided to possibly plan for a Park day (Pickle ball tournament/planting in remembrance of Anne Sage in September depending on status of Covid.
 - ❖ Stone wall
 - Committee discussed Jason's email regarding funding/proceeds (\$15,891) of Spring run. Money raised from this event is to be used towards restoration of stone wall.
 - Karen to reach out to Michael Lane to see if there are any grants for this type restoration and also will review information given to her about grants from another source. She will ask Ray about tree removal in this area.
 - Kathy will reach out to Susan Ambridge, Chester County about possible grants for wall.
 - Karen informed Committee that Township will require three proposals from stone masons for restoration of wall.
 - Committee decided to defer run till Spring of 2022. At this time will look into renaming/purpose so funds can be used for other activities.
 - ❖ Jason motioned to adjourn meeting, Liz seconded, meeting adjourned.

Meeting adjourned 8:19pm.

Signed: *Anna Krupp* Date: *3/23/2021*