

East Coventry Township Parks, Recreation and Conservation Committee June 23, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Date: 6/23/2020
Time: 7:30PM

Meeting Called By: Karen Nocella
Meeting Notes By: Flora Kapp

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

Guests in attendance:

Connie Coppo
Mr & Mrs Daily, Tyler Daily, Ethan Daily

Agenda Item: Review of May Minutes

- ❖ Gary made motion to approve May 2020 minutes, Karen seconded, all in favor, minutes passed.

Agenda Item: Ellis Woods Park Reopening

- ❖ Committee decided on last Saturday in September.
- ❖ Michael Lane sent note about \$500 grant, Township would match. Can be used towards reopening.
- ❖ Possible activities:
 - "Open House" 12-4
 - Pickle Ball demo on first court, instruction on new courts
 - Eric Hughs (if available) - bird tour
 - Liz - research raptor presentation
 - Jason - to check with Pretzel City regarding run
 - Food Vendors - ice cream truck, bottled water
 - Dedication of Anne Sage Pickle Ball Courts - "It's only a begining"

Agenda Item: Miscellaneous

- ❖ Plans for skate part at township were presented by Tyler Daily:
 - Explained very popular with kids, gives them a place to go.
 - Parks located at Upper Providence/Black Rock Park and that they would share their plans.
 - Various sizes but recommended 3,000' (similar to size of new Pickle Ball courts.)
 - List of rules from Tony Hawk Foundation.
 - Karen mention:
 - Timing good as we are in process of planning Tow Path Park which would be good area. She is to meet with Michael Lane on Friday at Tow Path and will mention to him.
 - She is meeting with CMC Consulting and will mention to them.
 - Current Township Manager is familiar with skate parks as he worked at two townships were they were set up and saw no downside.
 - Suggested that Tyler raise 1/2 the money, Township match. Gary suggested Pottstown Health and Wellness.
 - Township uses DEVT (Delaware Valley Insurance Trust.)
- ❖ Ethan Daily presented his request for GaGa Pit:
 - Activity for younger kids.
 - Three sizes: 15', 20' and 26'. Surface can be grass, woodchips, or dirt.
 - Karen explained this was good idea but already in new plans for Ellis Woods Park, but not sure of size.
- ❖ Recap for committee accomplishments:

- Present at BOS meeting.
- Quarterly or two times/year.
- Karen keeping folder of grants received.
- ❖ Gary updated committee on new Pickle Ball courts:
 - Black top softens in heat causing nets to be tightened because posts are moving. Brought to attention of Ray. Ray is putting shims for now as he was planning cementing posts in the fall.
 - Courts are a lighter gray than original and are very bright in the sun. Players have requested that the "kitchen" area be painted to alleviate this issue and have volunteered their time, labor and cost if Township not willing.
 - Karen to ask Ray & Dave about painting.
 - Players have also requested benches with protection from sun.
 - Meet Up costs \$70/yr. Gary asked whether or not Township would assume cost. Karen to find out.
 - Gary requested recycle bin be placed under pavilion.

Meeting adjourned 8:43 pm.

Signed: Flora Kapp

Date: 7/28/2020

Flora Kapp/Secretary