

**MINUTES FOR THE
EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP
PARKS, RECREATION AND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2024**

The Parks, Recreation and Conservation Committee held a regular meeting on September 24, 2024. Present for the meeting were Frank Coppo, Chair; Bruce Stephens, Vice Chair; Flora Kapp, Secretary; Liz Willow; Karen Nocella and Cathy Carney-Horner. Eric Hughes was absent.

Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Coppo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the pledge was recited.

1. Minutes.

A. Consideration of Approval of the August 27, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Ms. Nocella made a motion to approve the August 27, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes. Ms. Carney-Horner seconded the motion Mr. Coppo called for a vote and the motion passed 6-0-0.

2. New Business

A. Consideration of Approval of Wreaths Across America December 2024 Event.

Ms. Willow made a motion to approve the Wreaths Across America December 2024 event. Mr. Coppo seconded the motion. Mr. Coppo called for a vote and the motion passed 6-0-0.

B. Discuss the 10 Million Trees Partnership November 2024 Tree Planting Details.

Ms. Willow presented this item.

C. Discuss Potential Raptor Nest Box Acquisition and Addition of Kestrel/Owl Nest Boxes to East Coventry Township Parks System.

The Committee determined that more information is needed as to construction and location.

D. Discuss Potential 2025 Educational Program Offerings.

Ms. Willow presented this item.

E. Discuss Maintenance of Ellis Woods Park Riparian Buffer.

Mr. Coppo will review the area for discussion at the next meeting.

F. Discuss Ellis Woods Park Land Use.

The Committee discussed the Natural Lands Meadow Model. More information is needed in order to move forward.

3. Old Business.

- A. Discuss Potential Support for Approved Eagle Scout Project – Bridge Over Pigeon Creek on the Schoolhouse Trail; Logan Small, Senior Patrol Leader, Troop 127.

Mr. Coppo advised that the Eagle Scout project was approved by the Board of Supervisors.

- B. Discuss Purple Martin House Acquisition and Installation Details.

Mr. Coppo advised that the Purple Martin House was approved by the Board of Supervisors.

4. Committee Events.

- A. Consideration of Approval of the 2024 Fall Festival.

Mr. Coppo made a motion to approve the 2024 Fall Festival event. Ms. Willow seconded the motion. Mr. Coppo called for a vote and the motion passed 6-0-0.

- B. Discuss 2025 John Doyle Rock the Wall 5k Run/Walk and 10K Run.

The Committee discussed possible dates for the 2025 John Doyle Rock the Wall 5k Run/Walk and 10k Run.

5. Liaison Reports.

- A. Receive an Update on the Historical Commission.

Ms. Nocella presented this item.

6. Public Comment.


Mr. Coppo commented on the Penn State Extension course “Woods in Your Backyard”.

Connie Coppo, 40 Meadow Lane: Commented on the Christmas decorations on the historic schoolhouse last year.

7. Adjournment.

Ms. Willow made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Ms. Nocella seconded the motion. Mr. Coppo called for a vote and the motion passed 6-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,


Flora Kapp,
Secretary