



## Minutes: Parks & Recreation Committee – December 4, 2017

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The regular meeting of the Middle Smithfield Township Parks and Recreation Committee was held on December 4, 2017 and began at 6:00pm at the Schoonover Municipal Building with Jenna Componovo presiding.

**In attendance were:** Committee Members: Jenna Componovo, Michelle Dellavalle, Jaime Frailey, Dan Timpson, Danielle Cloward. Public: Mike Lipkind. Board of Supervisors: Mike Dwyer. MST Liaison: Christopher Rain.

Jenna Componovo made a motion to accept the minutes from the November meeting. Jaime Frailey seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

**Correspondence:** None

**Events:** Tree Lighting – The event went very well. Everyone loved the fireworks. The addition of stanchions for the line and the arches for Santa's entrance made everything go more smoothly. Next year we need parking signage from PennDOT. Everyone should have to turn right to get into their parking area (no crossing traffic).

The dates for the 2018 events were provided. For the February meeting, each committee member should pick two events: one to chair and one to assist.

**Community Gardens:** Chris was up at the gardens and noted that about half are in need of brackets to repair warping. He will coordinate with Dan Timpson to make the repairs. Michelle Dellavalle intends to begin holding regular gardens subcommittee meetings starting in February. The Master Gardeners should have a list of their 2018 classes prepared by the February meeting.

**Dog Park:** The Ice Rink was expanded too much for the small dog area. Public Works is still working on how to set it up to avoid putting it in the large dog area.

Mr. Lipkind asked why the ice rink is put at the dog park and Mike Dwyer addressed his questions. Mr. Lipkind also raised concerns about behavior at the dog park. The committee intends to have and advertise dog trainings with David Henon again in 2018 and hope that these can address some of the concerns he raised.

**Echo Lake:** No report.

**Judy Putek:** The trails are a little overgrown. MST will perform some maintenance on the Pocono Palace trails adjacent to the property in the spring.

**Resica:** St. Luke's Health Network plans to donate \$16,000 over six years to the little league, which will fund a new concession stand, fencing, lighting, and other improvements. Jaime Frailey reported that the little league has a lawyer reviewing the contract now.

**Litter and Beautification:** No report.

**EMC Regional Parks:** A gate was installed at River's Edge by Smithfield so the park can be closed for the winter. Once the County is done installing the new kiosk, the park will close until April.

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**Announcements:** There is no meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee in January 2018.

**Individual Action Items:**

- **Chris**: Coordinate garden plot repairs with Dan Timpson
- **Committee**:
  - Pick two events in 2018 (one to chair, and one to assist). Assignments will be made at the February meeting.
  - Come up with small project ideas for scouts to complete.

The next Parks and Recreation meeting will be held on Monday February 5, 2018 at 6:30pm. Jenna Componovo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:25pm. Jaime Frailey seconded the motion. Motion approved 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Christopher Rain  
Parks and Recreation Liaison