



Minutes: Parks & Recreation Committee – April 1, 2019

The regular meeting of the Middle Smithfield Township Parks and Recreation Committee was held on April 1, 2019 and began at 6:35pm at the Middle Smithfield Township Building with Jenna Componovo presiding.

In attendance were: Committee Members: Jenna Componovo, Michelle Dellavalle (by phone), Jaime Frailey, Laura Massaro, Dan Timpson. Board of Supervisors: Annette Atkinson, Mike Dwyer MST Liaison: Christopher Rain. Public: Marilyn Cole, Carolyn Jones, Spirit Rutzler, Vicky Staples, Pat Zeman.

Jaime Frailey made a motion to accept the minutes from the March meeting. Dan Timpson seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Correspondence: None.

Public Comment: None.

The Board of Supervisors proposed to move the Parks & Recreation Board meetings to the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm, in order to combine security coverage with the Economic Development Committee meetings, already scheduled for that time. Jenna Componovo made a motion to approve the schedule change. Jaime Frailey seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Events: Eggstravaganza, 4/13 – The four games will be Egg Spoon Race, Bunny Toss, and Bunny Hopscotch. Jenna, Dan, and Jaime will attend. Jaime also reported that Girl Scout Troop XXX and the Little League will attend to volunteer at the event. The committee and volunteers should arrive at Resica Park by 10:45am. Jenna will come to the township building on 4/10 at 8:30 to help prep the games.

1000 Feet/Pick Up the Poconos, 4/27 – Chris Rain reported that as of 4/1, there are 90 people registered to volunteer either on 4/27, or adopt a road and will clean on their own. Dan, Laura, and Jaime will attend. Marilyn Cole volunteered to be at the Community Gardens that morning to coordinate the volunteers assigned to that area. The Master Gardeners will create a work list. Public Works must fill the soil and mulch piles before 4/27. Dan will speak to other teachers about getting student volunteers for the Gardens.

Community Gardens: The garden class on 3/16 had 12 people in attendance and was well received. The next class is Saturday 4/13. They will need a projector. The Township will buy wheelbarrows before 4/27, for use that day. The Master Gardeners also requested a lawnmower.

Vicky Staples reported that the bees did not make it through the winter. She proposed that she and the MCBA would purchase and own the bees from now on, and would keep the bees at the Gardens seasonally. Instead of purchasing the bees, she proposed that MST make an annual donation to MCBA for their work. She also has an observation hive that will be kept at the Gardens seasonally. Removal of the bee shed is on the Public Works Department's work list. Once the shed is gone, Vicky can fix the fence and install the bees.

Dog Park: The Ice Rink has already been removed. A resident complained that some dog owners were leaving too many things (toys, etc) at the park.

Echo Lake: No report.

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Judy Putek: No report.

Resica: The Little League is looking into redoing the field in the fall.

Litter and Beautification: Chris passed around the brochure that will go out to businesses to solicit sponsorships.

EMC Regional Parks: MST and Smithfield approved a plan to pay Jim Dellavalle \$1200/month (\$600 each) to maintain the bike park.

Announcements: None

Individual Action Items:

- **Chris:** Make sure soil piles and wheel barrows are ready for 1000 Feet before 4/27
- **Committee:** Arrive at Resica Park on 4/13 by 10:45am
- **Jenna:** Help assemble the games on 4/10 at 8:30am

The next Parks and Recreation meeting will be held on Monday May 10, 2019 at 6:30pm at the Middle Smithfield Township Building. Jenna Componovo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15pm. Jaime Frailey seconded the motion. Motion approved 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Christopher Rain
Parks and Recreation Liaison