

**West Vincent Township  
Park and Recreation Commission**

**February 2, 2016 7:30 PM**

Attendance: Brad Dyer, Bill Dietrich, Jim Deisinger, Steve Merroth, Whitney Jaeger, William Holderness, Chip Farnham and Township Secretary Tammy Swavely.

Dr. Dyer called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

The minutes from January were unanimously approved as submitted on a motion by Mr. Dietrich and a second from Ms. Jaeger.

**Old Business:**

*Fellowship Trail:* Dr. Dyer stated that he spoke with the Interim Township Manager, Timi Kirchner and she informed him that Carroll Engineering was requested to complete the engineering of the trail. Dr. Dyer requested the plans be reviewed with the church's representative Brian Styche in order to move the trail out of the right of way (as is depicted in the current plans) and off of Route 401 more for concerns of safety.

*Grants:* There is a PECO Grant Application that is due on March 1, 2016. The trail fits into the criteria. Mr. Dietrich will complete the grant using the information that was used in 2013. Dr. Dyer contacted John Yurick for assistance and he sent pictures showing the trail being used for different occasions.

*Fields:* Field requests have been submitted from St. Elizabeth's School and Coventry Lacrosse. Coventry Soccer will submit theirs by the end of the week. Chip Farnham will be the field coordinator.

An email will be sent to confirm summer maintenance on the baseball field.

*Community Garden:* Mr. Dietrich will meet with Jane Helm to start the season. The Girl Scout Troop in the area is earning a Silver Award by building raised beds and bee houses. There are funds in the Budget to install the well. The fees were discussed to see if they can be kept separate just for garden improvements. This will begin in 2017. Advertising will begin soon to encourage more gardeners. Jane Helm said that she can offer Master Gardener Workshops for free if people sign up. The trails will need to be built this year inside the garden, between the plots.

*Park in Birchrunville:* A Parking sign was ordered.

*New Park Land along French Creek:* Chester County has contacted the Township to replace their medallion markers with Township markers which will be done in the spring. We need to find out the restrictions on this land to find out what can and cannot be done. A visit will be planned in the spring.

*Movie Night:* August 20<sup>th</sup> was chosen for the movie night. Volunteers so far, Bill Dietrich will help setup and Steve Merroth will help take down. All are to consider movies to show that evening.

*Trails:* Township trails were discussed. Private property trails versus park trails in subdivisions are different. French and Pickering Creeks Conservation Trust is working on a trail map and it will be published on their website.

Concerts in the park were discussed. This is a good idea and can be thought of for a future use.

Meeting Adjourned 9:00 PM.