

**West Vincent Township
Park and Recreation Commission
March 12, 2018. 6:30 PM**

Attendance: Chairman Chip Farnham, Bill Holderness, Jim Deisinger, Bill Dietrich, Laura Grablutz – Liason from Sustainability, Erica, John Jacobs, supervisor

Chairman Farnham called the meeting to order at 6:30.

The minutes from January 3, 2018 were unanimously approved as submitted on a motion by Mr. Farnham and second by Mrs. Jacobs.

REPORTS:

Planning – Mr. Deisinger reported no updates.

The Community Garden- Mr. Deitrich reported that information is being gathered on the water concerns. 2 meetings have been held. The police secretary, Ruth will be taking on the administrative duties, Mr. Deitrich will provide her with the information she needs. Mr. Deitrich said he will send the fee schedule around for all. Sign-ups will begin the beginning of April.

Trails – Ms. Batdorf reported the following on Fellowship trail - Phase 1 substantially complete, waiting on final walk through with the contractor. Storm water issue was brought to her attention – they are looking into it. Ribbon cutting event to be held in the near future. Wants to make sure all previous players are involved and invited. Chip suggested that we have the ribbon cutting happen prior to our May meeting 6:45 ribbon cutting, 7:30 PR meeting And Shoot for 1st week of May. Fellowship Trail Phase 2 – Cedarville has completed the conceptual design - 8' wide trail, right of way is in Upper Uwchland and we are good to go with that. 2 sets of ada ramps will be needed at the church parking lot, alignment runs along 401. The next step is to meet with the church to review the conceptual alignment and a use agreement. We have to also work with UU township because most of the trail goes through their township. The church has a larger right away along 401 due to the cemetery. Trail is about ½ mile. When this is complete, and when the town center is complete, the trail will then connect Ludwigs Corner to the township building. Approvals are part of the process. Mr. Farnham requested to set a goal of getting the Church's approval by end of March and Upper Uwchland – by end of April. Mr. Holderness indicated that we will need to have an ada pull off area. The trees at the church – may not be healthy we should make sure we offer to replace the trees there to keep the process running.

Fox Hollow trail –Mr. Holderness reported the road oad Crew and volunteers need to go back out and do some upkeep of the trail. There are some stones in the trail actually pile of rubble in the middle of the trail that is difficult to handle. There are two options, adding more stone to level it out – or attempt to dig them out – which is problematic. Trail is hike-able, but this section would be a challenge on horseback. Mr Farnahm and Mr. Holderness will try to put some volunteers together to work on the trail and assess what can be done – try to do this prior to April meeting.

Lenar Trail is ready for us to see their stake out of trail. Chip would like to attend the meeting. That trail is Equestrian/Pedestrian, Lenar will stake it out and clear the trail as a natural trail. We are on their schedule as they complete their homes.

Events Mrs. Jacobs reported on the new Festival in the Park and the Picnic in the Park Series. Mrs. Jacobs is chairing a committee of residents to work on these events. The Festival will be held on June 9th from 3 to 7 pm. This is a different twist from previous community days. The purpose is to bring the community together in a fun and engaging way. Although there will be a vendor tent, the vendors will be vetted, no social media sites will be allowed. There will be an artists alley, bands, a performance tent. It was pointed out that Melanie McCarthy had previously worked on this committee for many years.

Bryn CoEd. Supervisor Jacobs – reported on the pending purchase of the Bryn Coed Property and with the purpose of this commission to begin thinking about the property and its future uses. Time frames spelled out in the document timeframe and what will be put into the easement

Including:

5 years demolition of all roof structures on the property – with the exception of a office/bathroom structure.

18 months - construct or provide parking for 30 cars and 10 horse trailers.

3 months – construct and maintain public access to Nat lands 2 trail heads. St. Matthews (18 months) - our cost to do the road crossing. Need a loop trail to access the their trails. The trails that will be on our piece need to be determined where they go. We can build up to 4 foot bridges over wet land, up to 8' wide.

The park — what do we want to do with the park? Chip will lead an e-mail discussion to have the park include. Have a wish list, than set a priority schedule and time frame.

Old Business - Year End Report — Send Maria sections for report due by end of March

New Business

Motion made by Mrs. Jacobs to present the conceptual trail of Fellowship 2 trail to Board of Supervisors to move forward, Seconded by Mr. Holderness Second by Bill was unanimously approved.

Motion by Mrs. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Holderness and unanimously approved to accept Kristina Caseys resignation and to appoint a new member to the board.

Chairman Farnham informed the commission- the Township Park Walk was postponed in January and will be put off until the ground hardens.

Public Comment

Garden – There is a Grass Roots effort to let people know about the garden -

Sam and Laura will be the Liason to Sustainability

The meeting ended at 8:03 P.M.