

WVT Minutes of Park and Rec Commission meeting June 1st 2022

Meeting held at municipal bldg. conference room called to order approximately 7:07 pm by Bill Dietrich

Attendance:

Commission members:

Bill Dietrich, Ken Alan, Beth Miller, Scott Casey, Wilson Moyer, Davey Waters

Board of Supervisor members:

Sara Shick (Liaison), Dana Alan

Audience member:

Jim Deisinger, Kirsten Myers

- 1) Approval of May 4, 2022 meeting minutes- motion by Bill with two revisions submitted by email and second Ken
- 2) Appointment: Welcome Scott Casey- Mr Casey provided brief bio regarding his ties to WVT and Park and Rec
- 3) Guest Presenter: Kirsten Myers on "Walking Labyrinth" proposal for our parks.
  - a. Kirsten provided us with her brief bio and some background on Walking Labyrinths as well as locations of some currently constructed in our area.
    1. Included in this was a presentation of photographs and general building information for construction of this type of project
      - a. Sizes in diameter can range from approximately 17 feet to 56 feet
      - b. General discussion about possible materials to use for the project and possible location at Opalanie Park
      - c. Kristen offered to help fund the project
      - d. Questions came up about what type of maintenance would be needed for this project.
    2. She is open to continued discussion- [keyesmyers@me.com](mailto:keyesmyers@me.com)
    3. Source for information The Labyrinth Company of Greenville SC (888) 715 2297

4) Correspondence:

Memo received May 20, 2022, from John Granger Township Manager re: Park Improvements

- General discussion about township needs assessment for township park property enhancement and renovation at Evans Park and Opalanie Park
- Discussion included Evans Park-Tot Lot and Basket Ball court with possibility of Pickle Ball and Tennis Court. Also consider playground equipment for 7-12 year olds. Opalanie Tot lot/gazebo/fishing pier.

- Commission members agreed to a meeting/tour at the Evans Park/School house park on Thursday June 16 at 6pm to review current amenities. This assessment will be used to help make a recommendation before August 31, 2022 to township manager for purchase of appropriate equipment/structures.
- Commissioners will meet between regular Park and Rec meetings to assess different parks in our township so we have a reliable inventory and needs assessment of current parks

5) Old Business:

- a. Girl Scout Silver Project - Harmony Olson, Victoria Hahn, Katlyn Arnone- General discussion about status- getting help from EAC for plants
- b. Eagle Scout Project - Brian Baker- update on status for project- via email communication. Plaque Language approved 16x16. Maintenance plan and materials for build still in planning stage but will consider native plants and planting ground cover.
- c. Community Day May 14, 2022 - Report/Discussion- very successful.

Thank you to Ken for managing the games of the day specifically coordinating changes of location for the games due to rain. General discussion about event included recommendation to investigate options for sound system (acoustics assessment) and suggest more spacing between tables under big tent. Rain caused many people to stay under tent.

d. Fellowship Garden- general discussion including Interior Mowing (need some road crew assistance for tall grass) Compost moving and Supplies

e. Trails

-Fellowship Trail update- discussed plans for the connection of fellowship trail (currently ends at vineyard church) to Township property- will route behind church into woods and will include boardwalk. Need survey and calculate easements. Discussion also about sidewalk between Linden and Westover.

6) New Business:

a) Opalanie Park Signage- Dana presented plans for signs at Opalanie Park; Board of Supervisors to meet to approve signage. Also discussed trails at the park and the designated colors that will connect Opalanie to Natural Lands trails keeping in mind continuity of colors. Also general discussion of placement of signs and bike racks.

- P&R members interested in attending “walk through” of park should coordinate with Bill, who will be our point person with the Township Manager, to assist in discussion of signage and trail path. Date TBA
- Motion to approve Signs presented by Dana by Bill and second Scott
- General discussion about including in township park “wants” list rain garden, benches, Pickleball courts, Labyrinth, possibility of “all ability” playground. One commissioner shared that they would like to consider unique attractions for our parks.

b) Park Rules signage- review of current WVT sign and wording on website. - Commission will review suggest signage based on assessment of each park and make suggestions of consistent signage to be used at WVT parks

c) Sustainability Plan review and comment- waiting for update on which sections would relate to Park and Rec

d) Movie night – general discussion about tentative plans end of August.

Motion to Adjourn – 9:00 pm Bill Second Beth