

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
August 11, 2016**

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, August 11, 2016 at the Township Building. The meeting was called to order by Christine Taraborelli at 7:10 pm.

Commission members present were:

Christine Taraborelli
Daria Porreca
Peter Knupp

Others present were:

Carmen Battavio, Township Supervisor
Jason Lang, Director of Recreation
Erich Meyer, Conservancy Board Member

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Christine led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Christine asked for a moment of silence to remember our troops & veterans.

Christine asked if anyone would be recording the meeting. There was no response.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of the June 2, 2016 minutes was tabled to the next meeting since there was no quorum present.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Applebrook Park Restrooms – Christine showed the presentation she gave at her meeting with Mark Miller and Jason Lang regarding installation of restrooms in Applebrook Park. She feels this is a health and welfare and a safety issue. She mentioned that several people who use this park have spoken to her about restrooms. Mark Miller sent a memo to the Commission with a cost of about \$125,000 for the same type of restroom that is at the Veterans Pavilion. Christine went to the Applecross Golf Club on Rt. 322 and was given a tour of the golf course where she took a picture of the restrooms there. Also, it will be important to have utilization of a rest facility when the Paoli Pike Trail is installed. Erich suggested that they take a survey with signatures and check with Natural Lands Trust to see what type of restroom they recommend. It was also suggested to look for grants. Christine will have surveys at the Farmers Market. Jason will put it on the website.

OLD BUSINESS

1. East Goshen Park Safety Issues –

Rails – The replacement rails along the trail in the woods are too far away from the trail and on the slope. They need to be put up next to the trail.

Slope – The slope that the trail takes near the volleyball courts is dangerous to the elderly walking their dogs. Either rails should be installed or the slope flattened. However, there is serpentine rock there and we are not allowed to drill into it.

2. Paoli Pike Trail Update – Jason reported that the Township has received a third grant for \$1.7 million dollars. The engineering plan is starting. They feel construction should start in 2018. They are waiting for 2 more grants.

RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT

1. Community Day – Jason reviewed the map showing placement of the events and reviewed the volunteer list.

2. 22 in 22 – Jason mentioned that every day veterans commit suicide. Starting August 25 he will post videos of himself and others doing pushups to honor veterans.

3. Building Bridges Program – Jason is bringing this program back. East High School technology students come to teach senior citizens how to use electronic devices.

4. Young Women’s Leadership Meeting – This meeting will be held on Monday November 7, 2016, the night before the election. He will have some well-known, local speakers there.

5. Movie in the Park will be held on Friday August 26, 2016 at 7:00 pm. They will show the latest Star Wars movie and have food for sale and entertainment.

PARK MAINTENANCE REPORT

Jason gave the following report from Mark Miller:

1. The ball fields have been prepared for the fall season.
2. The playground has been mulched.
3. A water pump will be installed for the Butterfly Garden.

ANY OTHER MATTER

1. Jason reported that Barbara Jacobs has resigned.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm. The next regular meeting will be Thursday, September 1, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer
Recording Secretary