

Park Commission
Agenda
Thursday, August 1, 2019
7:00 PM

- A. Call to Order
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Ask if anyone is recording the meeting
- D. Approval of Minutes from the June 6th, 2019 meeting
- E. Chairman's Report

- F. New Business
 - 1. Discuss Awesome FEST & Teen Filmmakers Showcase (8/17 & 19)
 - 2. Discuss Food Truck & Music Festival (8/24)
 - 3. Discuss ABC 2020 Budget Request

- G. Old Business – Updates
 - 1. Friends of East Goshen, Potential Playground Shade Project
 - 2. Review summer events
 - a. Community Day
 - b. EGT Summer Camps
 - c. Shakespeare in the Park
 - d. Preschool Entertainment

- H. Recreation Director Report
 - 1. Upcoming events
 - a. See above

 - 2. Park Maintenance Report

- I. Liaison reports
- J. Any Other Matter
- K. Public Opinion
- L. Adjournment

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EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
June 6, 2019

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, June 6, 2019 at the Township Building. The meeting was called to order by **Vice Chairman Deborah Snyder** at 7:00 pm.

Commission members present are highlighted:

Daniel Leight, Chairman
Edward Coyle
Anne Marie Fletcher-Moore
Peter Knupp
Christine Taraborelli
Kishor Thakarar
Eric Tobin
Joseph Zulli

Others present were:

Jason Lang, Director of Recreation
Gabriel Long - Intern

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Deb led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Deb asked for a moment of silence to remember our military, police, first responders & veterans.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. The minutes of the May 2, 2019 meeting were approved.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

1. Deb reported that she, Dan, Kishor and Jason met at the park with the designer of the new playground, Kevin, to discuss the shade for the sandbox. He works for Recreation Resource USA and received an award for National Playground of the Year for our playground.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Playground Shade - Jason reported that The Friends of East Goshen did the second sale of bricks. The quote from Recreation Resource USA is \$8,587.00 for a 12x12 shade. East Goshen Friends will provide these funds. Jason recommends the 15x15, which is an additional \$386.00. He will ask the Board of Supervisors to cover this. Joe asked about the angle to get the most shade. Jason will talk to the residents and children at the playground to determine the best placement. It will take 4-6 weeks for delivery. They will close the playground for 2 days for installation. Joe moved to approve the purchase of the 15x15 shade at a cost of \$8,973.00. Peter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Community Day – This will be held on Saturday June 29, 2019. Jason reviewed the map. There will be no carnival games just moon bounce, high and low stricker and 2 escape rooms. The band, Walton Marquet, is bringing a sound system. There will be misting tents like last year. East High School choir will sing. The events will be from 4:30 – 8:30. At 8:45 the welcome and 9:05 fireworks.

RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT

1. Upcoming Events - Jason spoke about the following:

a. West Chester Band concert in the park Thursday June 13

b. Summer camps begin June 24. The staff is hired. It will be held at Glen Acres again this year.

2. Jason mentioned that the events for the children given by the Malvern Library, Children’s Librarian Ms. Kelly were a huge success.

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PUBLIC WORKS

1. They removed 5 ash trees, which were dead due to the bore, and planted maples. Peter mentioned that there is a dead tree near his house.
2. They are working on the Marydell pond.
3. They will start street paving.
4. In August-September they will start to work on the Paoli Pike Trail sections C, D, and E. From Reservoir Rd to Rte. 352 the design is almost done. Right of way and funding is done. They had a good meeting with PennDOT for section A. They need funding and right of way for section B. When F&G are done, probably October, they will have a ribbon cutting.

ANY OTHER MATTER

1. Jason thanked Kishor for helping with the Butterfly Garden. A volunteer group from Johnson & Johnson also came to help.
2. Spotted Lanternfly – Gabriel commented that there is a survey at the front desk and online to fill out. You may win a WAWA gift card. She is a graduate student in GIS at WCU. She has been working on this problem. If you see any lanternflies please contact her. From the EG website you can go to her website for information. Deb suggested having information available at Community Day.
3. Serpentine Barrens – Jason mentioned that there will be 3 burns per year. The fence looks good. Public Works has a sign to put there explaining what it is.
4. Park Master Plan – Jason commented that in August the Commission will start to look at projects mentioned in the Master Plan; i.e amphitheater, pickleball. He has also received requests to put up the wall in the tennis courts for single players to practice.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Kishor moved to adjourn the meeting. Peter seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm. There will be no meeting in July. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday August 1, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary

Memo

To: Conservancy Board, Parks & Rec Commission, Pipeline Task Force, Futurist Commission, Sustainability Commission & Historical Commission
From: Jon Altshul
Re: 2020 Budget Request
Date: July 11, 2019

As we enter the second half of 2019, it is time to begin thinking about the Township's budget for 2020.

To that end, if your ABC has its own budget, attached please find an Excel worksheet with individual tabs for each of your ABCs showing:

- 2019 year-to-date budgeted and actual expenditures through June.
- A blank column for the 2020 budget request.

I would be grateful if you could provide me with:

- 1) 2020 budget requests for each line item
- 3) A justification for your 2020 budget request. This justification is particularly important for any line item for which you are requesting more budget authority in 2020 than you received in 2020. Please use a separate page if your justification can not fit in the Excel cell.

Note that the Township has many "ABC-related" expenditures. For example, the Township needs to maintain the Blacksmith Shop/Plank House. The Township also incurs legal costs related to the pipeline and consulting costs related to planning work, etc. These line items are separate from your ABC budget; however, to the extent that your ABC intends to make upcoming recommendations to the Board of Supervisors that could result in the expenditure of Township funds beyond current levels, please let me know as soon as possible!

As always, 2019 will be a tight budget year. Preliminary forecasts suggest that the Township will need to continue to deplete its general fund balance in order to achieve a balanced budget. Thus, all Township departments and ABC groups will be under pressure to identify cost savings.

When developing your budget request, remember your group's mission, goals and objectives. Then ask yourselves, what do you need in order to realize your objectives and what do you merely want? Expenditures that don't meet the "need" threshold are unlikely to receive BOS approval.

Please don't hesitate to contact me by phone or email over the summer.

As we plan to have preliminary budget materials prepared for discussions with the Board in early autumn, **please return this completed worksheet to me by no later than Friday, September 27th**. I will follow up with you if I have any questions.

Thank you!