

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
January 2, 2020**

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, January 2, 2020 at the Township Building. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Daniel Leicht at 7:00 pm.

Commission members present are highlighted:

Daniel Leicht, Chairman
Deborah Snyder, Vice Chairman
Edward Coyle
Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore
Peter Knupp
Christine Taraborelli
Kishor Thakarar
Eric Tobin
Joseph Zulli

Others present were:

Jason Lang, Director of Recreation

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. The minutes of the December 5, 2019 meeting were approved as amended.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Reorganization – Ann Marie nominated Dan as Chairman, Deb as Vice Chairman and Peter as Secretary for the year 2020. Joe seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Pets in Park – Dan mentioned that last week he saw that the tennis court was being used as a dog park. He spoke to the person. Shortly thereafter some tennis players arrived. After discussion, Jason will have a sign made saying “Racket Sports Only – No Pets Allowed” and post it on the entrance to the courts.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Eagle Scout Project – Mark Miller, Kishor, Chris and Jason met with Rian Gionfriddo in the park to discuss location for the bocce courts. They felt the area between the Veterans Pavilion and the restrooms would be best. He could install 1 large and 1 small court. Mark will provide the digging and stone. An Italian organization will make a donation. The Commission members agreed with this location.

2. 2020 Park & Recreation Goals – The ABC annual meeting will be held on Tuesday January 28, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. instead of Saturday morning. Jason proposed the following goals for 2020:

- a. Create a formal activity and marketing plan for the Paoli Pike Trail (C-G) for 2021
- b. Develop a plan to begin offering a full day camp program at East Goshen Elementary in 2021
- c. Finalize design elements for the amphitheater band shell in preparation for 2021 grant applications
- d. Install a bocce court in EGT Park in partnership with a local Eagle Scout
- e. Collaborate with the West Chester Garden Club to create the Nature Warriors program
- f. Strive to increase resident volunteering by 50% in 2020
- g. Communicate nearby nature attractions

The Commission members agreed with these goals.

3. 2020 Community Day Vendors – Jason sent emails to all potential vendors. Their application has to be received by February 1st so the Commission can discuss this at the February meeting.

RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT

1. Upcoming Events -

- a. 2020 ABC Kickoff Meeting January 28 at 6:00 p.m.
- 2. Scavenger Hunt for Kids had 60 children ages 1-4 participate for 2 hours. Joe Daversa was Santa. Jason will have it next year.
- 3. New events this summer will be Carnival of Ruin done in EG Park by West Chester University Theater Dept. and Antique Road Show will be run by Chalfont Antiques.
- 4. Ghost Walk parking for next year was discussed.

PARK MAINTAINENCE

1. Public Works – They have done maintenance in the park for winter. They are working on the Paoli Pike Trail. Chris mentioned that she is very pleased with the Tree Planting they did this past summer.

ANY OTHER MATTER.

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Deb moved to adjourn the meeting. Ann Marie seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday February 6, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary