

Park Commission

Agenda

Thursday, May 5, 2022, 7pm

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Ask if anyone is recording the meeting
4. Approval of January, March and April 2022 meeting minutes
5. Chairperson's Report
6. New Business
 - a. Discussion – Milltown Park Neighborhood Walk
 - b. Update – Bocce Court, Eagle Scout project
 - c. Update – Community Day
7. Old Business
 - a. Update – Recreation Program Coordinator – Jessica Wilhelmy
 - b. Review – Egg Hunt, WCGC Flower Show, SAC Expo, Junior Beekeeper
 - c. Update –pickleball/tennis court & Milltown Park
8. Park and Recreation Director Report
 - a. Upcoming programming
 - i. Toddler Storytime – Tuesdays, 10a
 - ii. Poetry Circle – Thursdays
 - iii. White Elephant Bingo - May 12, 1p
 - iv. Applebrook Resident Only Golf Outing – May 17
 - v. Nature Warriors – May through June
 - vi. Jason – WCU Career Extension – May 19
 - vii. Pollinator Garden Clean Up – May 20
 - viii. No spring bus trips
 - b. Maintenance Report
9. Liaison Reports
10. Another other matter
11. Public Comment
12. Meeting Adjournment

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EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
January 6, 2022

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, January 6, 2022 at the Township Building. Commission members present are highlighted:

Daniel Leicht, Chairman
Deborah Snyder, Vice Chairman
Karen Battavio
Jessica Bottaro
Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore
Peter Knupp
Doug Staffelbach
Kishor Thakarar (on phone)
Eric Tobin
Joseph Zulli

Others present were:

Jason Lang, Director of Recreation
John Hertzog, Township Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dan called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

Dan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dan asked for a moment of silence to remember our military and veterans, police and first responders and those still fighting COVID-19.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the December 2, 2021 meeting were approved as amended.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

NEW BUSINESS

1. Reorganization – Dan nominated Debbie for Chairman. Eric seconded the nomination. Debbie accepted the nomination. The vote was unanimous. Dan nominated Peter for Vice Chairman. Debbie nominated Eric for Vice Chairman. Ann Marie seconded the nomination for Eric. Eric was elected for Vice Chairman. Karen will serve as Secretary.

2. Review Reindeer event – Dan commented that the reindeer event went off very well. It brought in \$2,700. The only complaint he heard was that the Santa line was too slow. Ann Marie suggested that next year the position of the band be changed because it was hard for them to hear people as they were checking in. Jason said the survey was all good. They also mentioned the line for Santa. There were 150 families with 47 seconds per family allowed with the reindeer. Jason emailed the photos to the families. He also asked if they wanted morning again or evening. It was definitely morning.

3. Review Tree Lighting event – Jason felt this was the best tree lighting so far. There was great attendance. The dancers and chorus were great. Next year the tree lighting will be Saturday December 3 in the evening. In the morning we will have the Reindeer event from 10-12.

4. Review Toy Drive – Jason reported that the Toy Drive was far more than expected. The total toys donated was 203. The card club gave a morning to wrapping all the toys. Jason met with the East Goshen Elementary counselor and made a list of children and toys to donate. Next year Jason is thinking of having a list of toys and have residents select which ones they want to donate.

5. 2022 Program Calendar – Jason reviewed the 2022 program calendar and explained some of the new events. He is hoping to have full day camp. He is waiting for permission from the school district. It will be at East Goshen

1 Elementary. He wants to have representatives from other ABCs at some of the events so residents can meet them;
2 i.e., a Pumpkin Challenge at the Pumpkin Festival. Jason reviewed the history of the farmers' market. The last
3 year was 2018. He received approval to install windscreens and a divider at the tennis courts.
4 6. End of Year Report – Jason reviewed the report and commented that revenue of 107% is good. In 2021 the
5 revenue was 120%. A good year.
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7 **OLD BUSINESS**

8 1. Annual ABC Meeting – This annual meeting will be held on Tuesday January 25, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. Jason
9 reviewed the 2021 Accomplishments and 2022 Goals report for this meeting.
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11 **RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT**

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13 1. Upcoming Events -

- 14 a. Teen MLK Day of Service with West Chester Communities that Care – Jan 17. Teens will do a day of service.
15 Krapf will provide a bus for transportation.
- 16 e. 2022 Township ABC Kickoff meeting – Tuesday January 25, evening
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18 2. Park Maintenance Report

19 The Veterans Pavilion is closed for the winter. Also, the ball fields are closed. Jason hopes to open by April 1st.
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21 **LIAISON REPORTS**

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23 **ANY OTHER MATTER**

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25 **ADJOURNMENT**

26 There being no further business, Dan moved to adjourn the meeting. Ann Marie seconded the motion. The
27 meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday February 3, 2022 at 7:00
28 p.m. in person at the Township Building.
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34 Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary

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EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
March 3, 2022

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, March 3, 2022 at the Township Building.

Commission members present are highlighted:

Deborah Snyder, Chairman via phone

Eric Tobin, Vice Chairman

Karen Battavio

Jessica Bottaro

Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore via phone

Peter Knupp

Daniel Leicht

Doug Staffelbach

Kishor Thakarar

Joseph Zulli

Others present were:

Jason Lang, Director of Recreation

Cody Bright, Township Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Peter called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

Peter led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jason asked for a moment of silence to remember the Ukrainian people, our military and veterans, police and first responders and medical staffs.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the February 3, 2022 meeting were approved.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

NEW BUSINESS

1. Bee Hives - Jason reported that the first Bee Hive program will start in April. He asked Carmen Battavio about another location for hives. They looked at the Supplee Valley open space on Reservoir Road. There will be 4-6 hives which will be different from the ones for the public at the Blacksmith Shop. Signage will be provided. The purpose is to provide a honeybee habitat, increase plants, and later some students from the university may be able to determine what flowers the bees used to make the honey. Peter made a motion to use this location for beehives. Jessica seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Summer Camp – The camp will be held at East Goshen Elementary School. It is full – 100 children each day and staff to work there. He hired 6-8 new aides. The camp is from 8am to 5:30 pm and costs \$200/week.

3. Movie in the Park – This will be held on June 4, 2022. It will be sponsored by the Gary Mercer Group.

4. Governor's Award – Jason mentioned that East Goshen received this award for the Teen Film Makers Showcase. It was for an innovative partnership. The award will be presented on April 13, 2022. This year the Friends of East Goshen will pay for a second theater and sell tickets for the general public. There will be 50 seats at \$15 – 20 each. Any revenue will be donated to the Ukraine film maker.

1 **OLD BUSINESS**

2 1. Community Day – The BOS has approved Saturday June 25, 2022 for this event.

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4 2. Recreation Program Coordinator – Jason reported that 2 of the candidates he selected took other jobs.

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6 3. Pickle Ball/Tennis Courts - The hitwall, which is a scout project, will be done in a month. Jason spoke to the
7 residents about the wind screens. It was decided that they will be forest green, 6 feet high on the outside and 9 feet
8 high on the inside. The BOS will approve this next week. Jason spoke about all of the tennis leagues that use the
9 courts. There will be 3 Pickle Ball tournaments this year.

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11 **RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT**

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13 1. Upcoming Events -

- 14 a. Seasonal staff hiring – on going
- 15 b. Permitted parties begin in mid March. There are about 350 parties in the park.
- 16 c. Organized sports begin in late March.
- 17 c. Egg Hunt will be held on April 9th.
- 18 d. Junior Beekeeping Program will start in late April. The classes will be from 3-4pm and 4-5 pm. There
19 will 6 kids ages 7-10 years old in each class. They will receive certificates. Sophia will be the Bee Ambassador.
20 Here mother studies insects.

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22 2. Park Maintenance Report

23 The ball parks are getting ready. Two driveways that were dirt paths have been paved. One by the Basketball
24 courts and the other by the Veterans Pavilion.

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26 **LIAISON REPORTS**

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28 **ANY OTHER MATTER**

29 1. Grants - The Pa Horse Race Game made a lot of money and is making funds available to all Pa counties. Jason
30 will submit a grant application for this.

31 2. SAC Expo - The Sustainability Advisory Committee will be holding an expo at the Township building on
32 Sunday April 24, 2022 from 10 am to 2pm. and it is free.

33 3. Paoli Pike Trail – The BOS is considering alternate routes for the trail along Paoli Pike instead of the Hicks
34 property.

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36 **ADJOURNMENT**

37 There being no further business, Peter moved to adjourn the meeting. Jessica seconded the motion. The meeting
38 was adjourned at 8:15 pm. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday April 7, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in person
39 at the Township Building.

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EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
April 7, 2022

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, April 7, 2022 at the Township Building.

Commission members present are highlighted:

Deborah Snyder, Chairman

Eric Tobin, Vice Chairman

Karen Battavio

Jessica Bottaro

Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore

Peter Knupp

Daniel Leicht

Doug Staffelbach

Kishor Thakarar

Joseph Zulli

Others present were:

Jason Lang, Director of Recreation

Cody Bright, Township Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Deborah called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

Deborah led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Deborah asked for a moment of silence to remember firefighters, first responders, police and all who are still affected by COVID.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of the January 6 and March 3, 2022 meetings will have to be delayed until next month since there is not a quorum.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Deborah congratulated Jason for the Governor's Award for Innovative Partnerships for our SE PA Teen Filmmakers Showcase. She thanked him for all his hard work.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Egg Hunt – The egg hunt will be held this Saturday April 9, rain date April 10, 2022. Jason will send out emails tomorrow with instructions. He has 10,000 eggs that are divided by age. So far 175 have registered in each of the two youngest groups. About 85 in the other two groups. Boys from the Phelps School will be coming to assist. The scouts will be doing face painting. Christopher Moore will be the Easter Bunny. Please come at 8 am to help set things up.

2. Milltown Park – Jason will send out a flyer to the residents and then contact the ones in the immediate area of the park to get feedback.

3. Gov. Wolf Excellence Award – This award is for the Teen Filmmakers Showcase. Jason and a few others will go to Harrisburg next Wednesday April 13 to accept the award.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Recreation Program Coordinator – Jason reported that the first 4 interviews did not work out. He has 4 new people to interview next week for this position.

2. Bee Hives – The placement of bee hives at Supplee Valley was approved.

1 3. Pickleball Project – Jason reported that the residents had a memorial at the end of March for one of the senior
2 players who passed away. A resident is taking courses to be a certified instructor for pickleball.
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4 **RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT**
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6 **1. Upcoming Events -**

- 7 a. Seasonal staff hiring – on going
- 8 b. Organized sports began in late March.
- 9 c. Egg Hunt will be held on April 9th.
- 10 d. WCGC Flower Show – April 13, 12-4 pm
- 11 d. Junior Beekeeping Program will start in late April.
- 12 e. Pollinator Garden Clean Up – April 22
- 13 f. Spring Yard Sale – April 30

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15 **2. Park Maintenance Report**

16 The ball parks are being maintained for the games.
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18 **LIAISON REPORTS**
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20 **ANY OTHER MATTER**

21 1. SAC Expo - The Sustainability Advisory Committee will be holding an expo at the Township building on
22 Sunday April 24, 2022 from 10 am to 2pm. and it is free.
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24 **ADJOURNMENT**

25 There being no further business, Jessica moved to adjourn the meeting. Eric seconded the motion. The meeting
26 was adjourned at 7:30 pm. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday May 5, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in person
27 at the Township Building.
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29 Respectfully submitted,
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