ATTENDED BY – P&R COMMITTEE:
Earl Moore, Chair
David Schulte, Vice Chair
Derek Kalp
Kathy Matason
Jude Simpson
Judi Sittler
Sue Smith
Stephen Spoonamore
Janet Sulzer

STAFF:
Mike Bloom, Assistant Township Manager
Amy Kerner, P.E., Public Works Director
Lindsay Schoch, AICP, Principal Planner
Sharon Meyers, Sr. Support Specialist – Engineering/Planning

GUEST:
Sean Houtz – Resident

CALL TO ORDER:
Mr. Moore called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

ROLL CALL:
Mr. Moore reviewed Zoom protocol as there were participants via Zoom.

OPEN DISCUSSION:
- Mount Nittany preserve – trail head
- Mr. Schulte resigned as co-representative of GDK Meadow, Ms. Sittler will continue as the park representative
- Mr. Sean Houtz would like to explore options for park use/utilization
  - Install a functional ice rink (Pegula is at capacity)
  - Ice hockey tournaments
  - Encouraged by Spring Creek Park Master Plan
- Adding topics to the agenda
  - During a meeting – must be voted to add to the agenda but action cannot occur until next meeting
  - Prior to meeting – give the recording secretary topics and information by the Wednesday before the meeting

MINUTES:
Ms. Smith moved to approve the minutes of the January 9th meeting as amended.
Ms. Sittler seconded the motion. Motion carried.
OLD BUSINESS:

OB-1 Annual Report

- The committee discussed the expectations of Council and decided the presenter should make a public acknowledgement thanking the Public Works crew for everything they do around the Township.

Mr. Spoonamore moved to approve the 2022 Parks and Recreation Annual Report to be presented to Council on March 2, 2023. Ms. Matason seconded the motion. Motion carried.

OB-2 Spin E-Bike Service Area

- Brief introduction and history of the topic
- Council is asking for input on four items
  - Service Area Boundary – should the service area cover the entirety of College Township?
    - Consensus of committee is yes
  - No Ride Areas – listed four no ride areas; are there any other areas?
    - Signage – to be added prior to geo fence in order to warn riders
    - Environmentally sensitive areas – Thompson Woods Preserve, Millbrook Marsh
    - Geo Fencing – intent, possible testing, possible issue with accuracy of satellites
    - Quarry – committee agreed quarry should be a no ride area, however, it is private property
  - Speed Restrictive Area – suggested no restrictions
    - Township policy states speed limit in parks is 15 mph
    - Inconsistencies between state, region, and Township
    - Discussion of state standards (majority agreed use state standards)
  - Parking Locations – areas with higher activity and accessible for servicing
    - Staff recommends
      - Municipal Building/Millbrook Marsh, Dalevue Park, Spring Creek Park, Mountainside Park, CTWA property Shiloh Road
    - Committee recommendations
      - Aspen Heights, The Villa’s (privately owned), Gas Light Circle, Lemont Post Office, hotels, student and tourist areas, Wal-Mart, Hills Plaza, Mall
    - Dalevue should be removed as potential parking
      - Neighbors are concerned with nighttime activity
      - Surrounded by privately owned single family homes, neighbors interested in cycling have their own bikes
      - Commercial activity and advertising is prohibited in parks and recreational areas (CT Code, chapter 139)
  - Township Standards/Policy
  - Spin E-Bike will be a one year agreement

NEW BUSINESS:

NB-1 Official Map

- Brief introduction and power point of topic
- Staff requesting the committee review the map and strategically identify potential off-site locations for parkland dedication that enhance and/or complement the existing parkland system.
Mr. Spoonamore moved to table the Official Map and resume the conversation at the March 13, 2023 meeting. Ms. Simpson seconded. Motion carried.

NB-2 Five Year Plan
- Brief introduction of the topic
- Asking for 2024 – 2028 and future
  - Helps with CIP
- Frisbee Golf discussed to be added to Nittany Orchard
- Goals for the future (here is where we are, this is where we want to be in five, ten, fifteen years)
- Take home and bring ideas back for the March 13th meeting

PARKS REPORTS:
(Written reports received are emailed to all members the Wednesday prior to the meeting date) No questions or further discussion regarding the parks reports.

STAFF INFORMATIVES:
SI-1 Rhodes Lane Condominiums Plan
- Developer not present, provided a copy of the plan and changes made based on the discussion from the January 16th meeting

SI-2 Re-Appointments
- Council re-appointed Mr. Moore and Ms. Sittler

SI-3 Adopted Regional E-Bike Policy
- Provided for reference

OTHER MATTERS: None presented.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Mr. Moore announced the next Parks and Recreation Committee meeting will be held at the College Township Municipal Building on Monday, February 13, 2023 at 7:00 pm.
Ms. Kerner announced the Statements of Financial Interest Forms must be completed and returned as soon as possible to either Jen Snyder or Sharon Meyers.

ADJOURNMENT:
With no other matters to discuss, Mr. Spoonamore moved to adjourned the February 13, 2023, Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting. Ms. Sittler seconded. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 9:34 PM.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Sharon E. Meyers
Recording Secretary