

**WALKER TOWNSHIP
PARKS & RECREATION BOARD
Monthly Meeting October 19, 2021
6:00pm**

Attendance:

Members Present: Patty Correll, Pam Rogers, Deb Zimmerman, Leah Burd,
Jan McDowell, Lance King, Cindy Kunes

Members Absent: None

Guests: Frank Skrzycki – Township Resident

Call to Order: Deb Zimmerman called the October 19, 2021 meeting of the Walker Township Parks & Rec Board to order at 6:00pm in the Walker Township Municipal Building. Deb led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Pam Rogers motioned to approve the minutes from the September 21, 2021 Meeting as presented; motion second by Jan McDowell and approved by all members present.

Guests: Frank Skrzycki had no comments at this time.

Agenda Items:

- Deb reported all permit applications have been submitted to DEP for construction of the new parking lot. The project will move forward with bid preparation when the permits are approved.
- A response was received from Bellefonte Football and Cheer stating they applied for DEP permits in January 2013 in preparation to build a football field in the new park. However, they have no record of receiving the permits.
- Deb reported the Supervisors tentatively approved increasing the Board from seven to nine members. Solicitor Miller stated Ordinance 148, Creating A Parks and Recreation Board, would need to be amended before action could be taken. Mr Miller will prepare and advertise the necessary legal work.
- Deb reported two quotes were forwarded to us from the Nittany Valley Little League for repairs to the infield on Field 2. She stated that state law requires any project over \$11,500.00 has to be put out for bid. She contacted the League and requested additional bidding procedures. At the October Supervisors Meeting, the Supervisors asked if the Little League has funding allocated for the project. Deb will contact the League and request their financial and budgeting information.

Old Business:

- Cindy Kunes reported that NVJRA sent invoicing to the participating municipalities requesting payment of their previously committed funding. She said the project design has been approved and they hope to put the project out for bid soon. Cindy further reported on various funding sources. She welcomed Frank Skrzycki as the second Walker Township representative to serve on the Authority.
- Deb had no further information on resurfacing the tennis and basketball courts. She then suggested we could install pickleball courts in the new parkland and incorporate construction along with the pending parking lot construction. Additional information regarding installation and maintenance costs will be investigated.

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- Deb has not yet received a response from Playworld regarding the damaged playground equipment. The equipment has been temporarily repaired.
- Jan McDowell continues to gather information for possible installation of fitness stations along the walking trail.
- Patty reported the Fall Festival was a huge success with perfect weather and fun activities for all. The date was set for the last Saturday in September, September 24, 2022, for next year.

New Business:

- The Board reviewed the Balance Sheet.
- Cindy Kunes motioned to approve the 2022 meeting dates as presented; motion second by Patty Correll and approved by all members present.
- Due to a meeting conflict, the November meeting was changed to Thursday, November 18 at 6:00pm. The change will be properly advertised.

Correspondence: None

Deb reported she inquired of Solicitor Miller regarding clarification of when the Fee-in-Lieu applies according to Ordinance 182. No action was taken.

Cindy Kunes motioned to adjourn the meeting; motion second by Patty Correll and approved by all members present. Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leah Burd, Recording Secretary

NEXT MEETING – Thursday, November 18, 2021 @ 6:00pm