

**WALKER TOWNSHIP
PARKS & RECREATION BOARD
Monthly Meeting May 18, 2021
6:00pm**

Attendance:

Members Present: Patty Correll, Cindy Kunes, Pam Rogers, Deb Zimmerman, Jan McDowell

Members Absent: Lance King

Guests: Mike Edmonds

Staff: Leah Burd

Call to Order: Deb Zimmerman called the May 18, 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 April 20, 2021 Meeting as presented; motion second by Jan McDowell and approved by all members present.

Guests: Mike Edmonds provided the Board with additional information and cost estimates for installing pickleball courts. He recommends constructing new courts rather than updating the current tennis courts for dual purpose. Mike will continue to advise the Board on the proposal.

Agenda Items: There has been no further communication from the Little League regarding the new fencing. The bleachers at the ball fields were taped off. However, the tape was removed and the bleachers are being used.

Don Franson continues to work on a bid package for the new parking lot project.

Old Business:

- Cindy had no report from the NVJRA.
- Plaques for the “Buddy Benches” are on order.
- The Little Free Library is installed and the comment boxes will be installed shortly. Deb reported that the hand sanitizer placed throughout the park is not being used.
- We continue to post the Board vacancy on the website.
- Patty and Jan are working on articles for a Township Newsletter.
- There was no further discussion on plans for the Fall Festival.

New Business:

- The chain link fence at the basketball court is need of repair before the start of summer camp.
- A change was made to the Fee-in-Lieu recommendation made at the April meeting for the S & A Homes, Inc 5-lot Subdivision (CCPCDO NO.38-21), reducing the recommendation from 5 lots to 4 lots as the fee was previously paid for 1 lot on Subdivision Plan CCPCDO 97-17.
- Payment was received for the Samuel & Rebecca Esh 1-Lot Subdivision.
- The paid bills were noted.
- The Board discussed a request to place recycling bins in the park. Action was tabled.

- The Supervisors approved the Cleaning Protocol which Deb wrote for park sanitation and maintenance. The broken toilet was replaced and the restrooms were painted.
- The Middle School Drama Club is scheduled to use the park on May 22. Deb asked if a certificate of insurance has been received.
- Deb reported that a piece of playground equipment purchased in 2018 is in need of repair. She is in contact with the manufacturer regarding warranty and repairs.
- Pam and Deb will investigate a report of vandalism at Zion Ridgecrest Park.
- A suggestion was received to install workout stations on the walking trail. No action was taken.

Correspondence: Information from PRPS Park Maintenance Institute regarding How to Control and Combat Invasive Species.

Cindy Kunes motioned to adjourn the meeting; motion second by Patty Correll and approved by all members present. Meeting adjourned at 7:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leah Burd, Recording Secretary

NEXT MEETING – June 15, 2021 @ 6:00PM