

**WALKER TOWNSHIP
PARKS & RECREATION BOARD
Monthly Meeting September 21, 2021
6:00pm**

Attendance:

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

Members Absent: Cindy Kunes

Guests: Frank Skrzycki – Township Resident
Wyatt Harter – Nittany Valley Little League
Chris Hane – Nittany Valley Little League

Call to Order: Deb Zimmerman called the September 21, 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 August 10, 2021 Meeting as presented; motion second by Jan McDowell and approved by all members present.

Guests: Frank Skrzycki introduced himself and expressed interest in working with the Parks and Recreation Board and serving on the NVJRA. Deb Zimmerman motioned to approve recommendation of Frank to the Parks & Recreation Board; motion second by Pam Rogers and approved by all members present. Pam Rogers then motioned to recommend appointment of Frank to serve on the NVJRA Board as a Walker Township Representative; motion second by Patty Correll and approved by all members present. After determining we currently have a full seven member Board, Pam Rogers motioned to request the Supervisors to increase the Board to no more than nine members; motion second by Patty Correll and approved by all members present. The Board thanked Mr Skrzycki for his interest.

Wyatt Harter and Chris Hane from the Nittany Valley Little League attended to answer any questions regarding the two quotes they submitted for needed safety repairs to the infield on Field 2. Deb explained the procedure for applying for American Rescue Funds the Township qualified for. Wyatt reported there were 262 participants in the summer ball and 100 playing fall ball. Leah Burd motioned to Amend the Agenda to allow for action on allocating funds to make the needed repair; motion second by Deb Zimmerman and approved by all members present. Jan McDowell then motioned to commit funding not to exceed the highest estimate received to repair the infield on Field 2; motion second by Lance King and approved by all members present.

Agenda Items: There was no update on the progress of the new parking lot.

Old Business:

- Due to the absence of Cindy, there was no report from the NVJRA
- Deb had nothing further to report regarding estimates for resurfacing the basketball and tennis courts and possible installation of a pickleball court. Deb reported American Rescue Funding is permitted for park improvements.
- Deb has not yet received a response from Playworld regarding the damaged playground equipment. The equipment has been temporarily repaired.
- Jan McDowell is investigating adding workout stations to the park.

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- The second Buddy Bench plaque was received and will be installed. The two wooden benches at the Eagle Scout project at the back of the park have been replaced.
- Patty reported that plans for the Fall Festival are in place. She still needs clothes for the scarecrows and could use some additional volunteers. She purchased and installed a new sign.
- The walking trail was rolled and an annual maintenance plan will be instituted.

New Business:

- The Board discussed holding music events in the park. No action was taken.
- The Board reviewed the Balance Sheet.
- Light the Night will be held in the park on October 27.
- Trick or Treat has been set for October 31.
- The Board discussed an inquiry for installing a skate park. No action was taken.

Correspondence: PRPS Park Maintenance Institute information was noted.

Pam Rogers motioned to adjourn the meeting; motion second by Patty Correll and approved by all members present. Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leah Burd, Recording Secretary

NEXT MEETING – October 19, 2021 @ 6:00pm