



MT. LEBANON
PENNSYLVANIA

Parks Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 6, 2015 - 7:30 p.m.
Municipal Building Room C

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Mr. Beal called the meeting to order and called the roll. The meeting was attended by board members Hugh Beal, Megan Zadecky, Ron Block, and Elaine Kramer.

The meeting was also attended by Commissioner Steve Silverman and the Director of Public Works Rudy Sukal.

Jonathan Farrell and Carrie Beck were absent.

Mr. Beal indicated that Wayne Jones announced that he was resigning from the Parks Advisory Board.

II. Citizens Comments

Kimberly Schevtchuk spoke about her concerns regarding archery hunting in the municipal parks.

III. Approval of September 1, 2015 Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Kramer and a second by Mr. Block to accept the minutes as submitted. The motion was passed and the minutes were accepted.

IV. Bird Park Issues

Mr. Sukal provided an update on the efforts to restore an area in Bird Park that had been damaged during a sanitary sewer repair. Mr. Sukal indicated that 7 trees were planted, the area was seeded and an erosion blanket was installed over the restoration site to protect the soil surface and newly seeded area.

Mr. Block provided updates on several Eagle Scout projects that had recently been completed in the park. He also informed the board that there are additional Scout projects that will be completed in the next few weeks.

V. Facility and Parks Coordinator Update

Mr. Sukal provided an update on the efforts to hire someone to fill the new position of Facility and Parks Coordinator. He indicated that the field of candidates has been

narrowed down to two and there should be someone in place by the next Parks Advisory Board meeting.

VI. High Visibility Planting Areas

The Board discussed the condition of the ornamental beds that were renovated earlier this year. Ms. Kramer offered to provide a list of plants that are deer resistant. Mr. Block mentioned that some of the trees may have been planted too deep.

VII. Budget Issues

The Board discussed funding and the maintenance of ornamental beds. Mr. Sukal provided information on expenditures vs. appropriated funding for the parks budget in 2014, 2015 and 2016.

VIII. Robb Hollow

Mr. Beal reported that he has seen an improvement in the condition of the South end of Robb Hollow Park and thanked the public works department for their efforts in cleaning up the debris that was previously there..

IX. Invasives / Forestry

The Board discussed the status and effectiveness of the invasive species removal project in Bird Park. Additional information was provided by Mr. Schevtchuk, a member of the Nature Conservancy who was a member of the audience.

X. Deer in the Parks

Mr. Beal asked for some clarification on the timing and locations of the deer control efforts that are taking place in the parks. There were also discussions about the process and procedures that are being followed by the archery hunters.

XI. New Business

There was no new business.

XII. Announcements

Mr. Beal indicated that Wayne Jones had resigned from the Parks Board and that the process to fill the vacancy had started. The group agreed that the November meeting should start at 8:00 PM since that meeting will be held on election day.

XIII. Adjournment

A motion was made by Ms. Zadecky and a second by Mr. Block to adjourn the meeting and the motion was passed.