



MT. LEBANON
PENNSYLVANIA

**Parks Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 7th, 2017 - 6:30 p.m.
Municipal Building Room C**

I. Roll Call & Declaration of Quorum

Mr. Farrell called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM, and proceeded with the Roll Call. The meeting was attended by Jonathan Farrell, Megan Zadecky, Pam Burrett, Elaine Kramer, and Carrie Beck.

The meeting was also attended by the Director of Public Works, Rudy Sukal, Facilities & Parks Coordinator, Phillip Avolio, and Commissioner Steve Silverman.

Ron Block and Richard Heyse were absent.

II. Citizen Comments

No citizen comments to report.

III. Approval of February, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Farrell asked the group to please review the February 2017 meeting minutes.

Ms. Kramer noted the need for an apostrophe under section four.

A motion was made by Ms. Zadecky and a second by Ms. Beck to approve minutes as amended. The motion passed, and the amended minutes were accepted.

IV. Hollow Oak Land Trust (McNeilly Park Trails)

Sean Brady and Val Bader from Hollow Oak Land Trust presented to the group about their organization. The group spoke on the various trail locations they have worked on, and some of the proposed projects for the future. Mr. Brady expressed their interest in preparing a proposal for McNeilly Park trail construction.

V. Invasive Removal (Mt. Lebanon Nature Conservancy)

Allison McGee and Tom Schevtchuk from the Mt. Lebanon Nature Conservancy spoke to the group about the invasive removal efforts that take place in the parks. The group reviewed the past efforts that had taken place in Bird Park and Twin Hills Park. They updated the group on which areas they felt were important to begin planning for future

invasive operations. An estimated 8 acres was recommended for invasive removal funding. The group also recommended that the carry-over from 2017 be used for re-application of herbicides to the areas already treated.

VI. New & Existing PAB Projects

No Old Business was reported.

VII. ESB & SAB Projects

The group agreed to skip over this item as the Sports Advisory Board had not met this past month, and the Environmental Sustainability Board attended the February meeting.

VIII. Chair & Co-Chair

A motion was made by Ms. Kramer and a second by Ms. Burrett to appoint Mr. Farrell as Chair and Mr. Block as Co-Chair of the Parks Advisory Board. The motion passed, and the Chair and Co-Chair for 2017 were named.

IX. New Business

Mr. Sukal noted that the Commission would be reviewing all of the Boards and Authorities that are currently operating during a future discussion session. He asked for a volunteer from the Parks Advisory Board to attend the meeting with him. He will be providing the Commission with a mission statement and work plan for review. He suggested that everyone look over the ordinance that established the board, and comment on it at the April meeting.

X. Old Business

Commissioner Silverman updated the group on the sharpshooting program. He shared with them that the contractor has pulled out of Mt. Lebanon due to the warmer temperatures. He explained that the deer were passing up the baiting stations, so the contractor has stopped operations, as he did not want to invoice Mt. Lebanon for poor results.

XI. Announcements

Commissioner Silverman updated the group on PAYT. He noted that the Commission decided not to proceed with the program, but rather focus efforts on educating residents and businesses on recycling and waste reduction methods such as craigslist or neighborhood online forums.

XII. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Farrell and a second by Ms. Beck to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM.