

## February 22, 2024 Minutes LGT Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting

### **Board Members Present:**

Laura Miller  
Heide Harper  
John Bickhart  
Tina Skinner

Staff  
Dawn

Guests:  
Mary Giordano  
Casey Groff

### **1. Call to Order: 7:06**

### **2. Adoption of Agenda**

Laura added discussion of “Go Fund Me” for trees

### **3. Approval of minutes**

approved

### **4. New Business**

#### **Garden Report:**

Mary said non-residents who have not rented before have been reaching out about renting the raised beds. She asked if there was a list of who had beds in the past. March 1st opens the option for them to apply. Dawn said she would send Mary the list the Township has from last year.

Mary showed 3 boxes that make a 4 x 12 bed from Walmart that might be purchased. Heide has been researching pre-manufactured boxes. Mary asked how much money or do we have any money to purchase something for the garden. Laura said there was a request in our budget last fall. Dawn said everything we asked for was accommodated. She said she will double check. Laura and Dawn said it was perhaps \$1,000. This would buy four boxes from Home Depot, with free delivery.

Laura said she has a scout leader looking for projects for his scouts.

Laura suggested they approach Home Depot for a donation.

Mary suggested a fundraising project for the gardeners to make some money. Laura suggested a plant sale, maybe with donated plants. Maybe in April or May.

Mary said that a spigot in the garden is locked and asked if it can be unlocked. Dawn said she spoke to Shane and he said we can give it a try this year and see if there are any issues with leaks or it being left on. That was the reason it was originally turned off.

The next volunteer day is March 16. Maybe a plant sale April 20

**Park Report:** Dawn said most of the trees have been taken down following the tree report. There are a couple more that need to go. John suggested that there could be some nice seating created among the deadfall. Dawn said I don't know that we can do that. Dawn suggested John put together some ideas that could be present to the Board and Shane. John said some of the trees could become a fun jungle-gym area. Some of the logs cut in half would make ideal benches. John also suggested that if some was mulched it could help to create drier trails.

John asked about plans for the trail around the poplar tree with seriously exposed root. Dawn said plans were in the works for that portion of Husband's Run Trail in the spring. He expressed concern about how that tree would be preserved. Dawn said she would ask the next day.

John asked if the land between the park and Lamborn Hunt has been surveyed. He was wondering how we knew which trees there could be cut down if it was not surveyed. Dawn said she wasn't sure. She asked if there was a dispute. John said one of our trails goes onto Lamborn and Ken asked that no work be done on that trail until it is surveyed. Yet, John said, trees were cut down in that area. Dawn said she would look into this.

**Dog Park:** No news

### **5. Old Business**

#### **Goddard Memorial Garden**

Dawn said plans are underway to get started in the spring. March 16 and April 20 are the next two volunteer days.

**Volunteer Days:** February event had to be cancelled because of snow.

Laura will recruit the scout troop for our next volunteer day. John said there is a lot of work to do cleaning up after the tree removal.

Laura said she will ask that people meet in the lower lot for the March 16th event. John said he will send out the next volunteer day invite and include a request for pickaxes. John put together a list of volunteer ideas — so that we could target people with specific tasks that they are interested in. Laura will send him the updated volunteer list. John asked if there are any metrics on use of the township website. Dawn said the website is open for anyone, we don't have a record on the amount of clicks. 120 people have subscribed to Goddard Park email alert through Constant Contact.

**Park masterplan update:** Laura suggested tabling

**Event ideas for the park**

Tracy and Dawn put together a list of potential events. The first was for an Easter Egg hunt. Laura said we are a little late for that this year. John said yes, if you're trying to do a plant sale. Idea of trunk or treat event discussed. Dawn suggested a date a week or two before Halloween. Laura said Oct. 31 is on a weekday. Dawn said the weekend after might work.

Go Fund Me Tree Sponsorship ideas from Tina

Laura said Audrey is going to step down from committee work. Dawn will put out a notification that a new volunteer is needed once we receive her resignation.

9. **Adjourned:** 8:08