

# **March 20, 2024 Minutes**

## **LGT Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting**

### **Board Members Present:**

Laura Miller  
Heide Harper  
John Bickhart  
Tina Skinner

### **Staff**

Dawn

### **Guests:**

Casey Groff

### **1. Call to Order: 7:04**

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

adopted

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

approved

### **4. Park Report:**

Dawn said Husband's Run Trail has been completed. It looks great, but there will be paving added this summer. Online reviews have been good. Laura said they avoided the wetlands and there is a new bridge. JB said the new trail avoids the tree in the middle of the trail.

### **Goddard Memorial Garden**

Dawn said work was scheduled to start today, but a water emergency pulled them away. They hope to begin this week, or early next depending on the weather. Slabs and seats have been installed.

### **Garden report**

Nine beds still available, the beds have been rototilled. Water is not on yet till after threat of freeze. Four new beds delivered. This Sunday Mary will meet with the scouts to determine where to put the beds.

Heide said that people who have flat beds have been begging for a raised bed. Dawn said there are still currently raised beds available.

Dawn said Mary is trying to get plant donations for a plant sale on April 20, the next volunteer day. She also got a donation of soil that will be delivered by Public Works on Monday. Heide said topsoil deep in a bed is overkill.

Heide said some of the raised beds are falling apart. The wood is rotten. Casey said they could be patched for a year or so, but then something will have to be done. Laura asked if the Boy Scouts could do something. Heide said sheet metal in the corners would repair them. Dawn suggested talking to Mary and asking her to get the gardeners to start pitching in. She could point this out to Scott Hill, the scout leader Sunday, or volunteers could be used Laura said.

### **Dog Park:**

Heide said that a girl said her little dog can't come because he fits through the new fence slats. She said she complained to the township. Dawn said she hasn't had any phone calls. Dawn said she will bring it to the township's attention.

### **Volunteer Day**

Casey said five people came last Saturday, March 16. We got some progress done. Working on the long stretch behind the back parking lot. Casey said they will be working there for a while, that the bittersweet is intense, and difficult to get to. Terry Weaver, Keith Kelleher, Heide, JB, and Casey came out.

### **Trails**

Funds are mixed in with the master plan. It will cost \$4-8,000 to survey western boundary line with Lamborn Hunt. Dawn is working on a grant for that. JB suggested leaving that survey responsibility with the Master Plan

## **5. Old Business**

### **Park masterplan update:**

#### **Grant updates**

Dawn said DCNR grant is underway, hoping for good news

A 50/50 match that could add pickle ball, tot lot, Blosser Property improvements, trails, etc. Last master plan dates to maybe 2011, prior to 2015. Casey said every 10 years is a good time for a revamp of a park. Laura suggested we put thoughts into what the park should be so we are ready. Dawn said community input is really important.

### **BOS Meeting**

Heide attended, but said Dawn has covered a lot of it. Roughly 78 recommended tree removals, with about 10 more to go. Heide said they've really put something in motion for the park. It might peak people's interest in getting involved.

### **Tree committee**

Has four openings now. Dawn said she'll send Tina the form to volunteer for committees.

### **Bridges**

John said all of the bridges are numbered down to White Clay Creek. Important for evacuations. Also, the walking trail numbers are very helpful, but a bridge number would be helpful. Dawn said that is part of the asset management to-do list. It is on paper, and putting numbers on the bridges will take place when they have the time and money. JB asked if that will tie in with trail maps. He also asked about plans for bridge to Goddard House. Dawn said there are three potential areas that have been studied as potential places for a future bridge. Stream restoration study coming up with Arrow Engineering and Consulting — will have a kick-off meeting soon to discuss the streams of Goddard Park and by Golf Course.

### **New Parks and Rec Member**

Audrey has stepped down, but has not written a formal resignation  
Casey is interested in filling her spot

### **Pickel Ball**

Laura said Terry Weaver asked if there are plans for the town to add pickle ball courts. Terry said she can get a petition going, and Heide said she has 21 signatures already. Laura has scouted out a good location near the lower parking lot.

## **6. Adjourned: 8:10**