



MINUTES

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP-PARKS COMMITTEE

January 23, 2023

Liberty Twp Admin Building, David Kern conf. room

Next Meeting Date: January 23, 2023 – Liberty Twp Administration building, David Kern Conference room

Park Committee Members: Paul Dittman, **President** | Bill Walker, **Vice President** | Mary Villarreal, **Treasurer** | Ted Sitchanoff, **Secretary** | Dave Lintner | Laurie Ballenger | Nick D'Angelo | Rick Plummer, Parks Liaison

Call to Order time: 6:00 PM

Roll Call: Present – Ted, Paul, Nick, Dave, Laurie, Mary, and Rick

Absent: Bill

Ratify of Minutes, previous meeting: Ratified November 2022 minutes, Mary 1st, Ted 2nd

Quarterly Finance Reports:

- Current balance \$5,272.44
- JP Morgan matched a donation of \$850.00

Township Liaison Report – Rick:

- Disc golf course- Reserves – Tee boxes to be replaced when weather improves
- 2023 trustee rep for the parks – Todd Minniear

Continuing Park Business:

- 2023 Activities Planning:
 - o May 13th or TBD – Bird Walk – park TBD
 - o June 17th School of Fish- Reserves Park
 - o July – 4th of July parade
 - o August 5th – Nature Walk/Butterfly walk – park TBD
 - o September 23rd – Fall Festival
 - o October 28th – Fall Nature walk
- Seed Exchange approved
 - o Possible location discussion – Cherokee or Turnbridge

- Continued discussion on 2023 other type of park programs/activities
 - o Discussed possible park outreach program, QR codes. Visit each park, highlight on social media and/or update individual park narrative and descriptions on the township website

New Park Business:

- Parks will not participate in the summer fun fair in March. Working on revamping park events

Roundtable Discussion

- Nick
 - o 20 trees purchased at Natorps. Purchased wholesale and tax exempt
 - o Encourage more donations
 - o Discussed volunteer tracking
- Dave
 - o 2022 Highlights: 1460 hours of volunteer work
 - o 2022 Highlights: 265 Trees and Shrubs planted (83 shrubs and 182 trees)
 - o Allen Park – Trimmed up beds
 - o Turnbridge – working on invasive honeysuckle removal
 - o Turnbridge – wildflower test spots, 2 areas
 - o Turnbridge – requesting 2 additional conservation area signs

February Meeting to Be held at Township Admin building

Adjournment: 7:49 pm 1st Ted, 2nd Laurie