

**MINUTES  
NORTH LEBANON TOWNSHIP  
PARKS & RECREATION BOARD  
February 1, 2022**

The meeting of the North Lebanon Township Parks & Recreation Board was called to order at 7:00 PM at the North Lebanon Township Municipal Building located at 725 Kimmerlings Road, North Lebanon Township. The pledge to the flag was recited.

The following members were present:

Dwayne Elder	Chair
Corey Uhrich	Vice-Chair
Ryan Schmidt	Member
Mark Grumbine	Member
Lori Books	Assistant Township Manager

Dave Strohm, Park & Rec Foreman, was also in attendance.

**REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD FOR 2022**

Ryan Schmidt's term expired 12/31/2021. He agreed to continue to be a member of the Parks and Recreation Board for another 3-year term. He completed the Oath of Office.

There is a vacant seat on the board. Audrey Blauch was recommended by Supervisor Heisey. She has been involved in the cheerleading youth program within the Township and is familiar with our parks. Audrey was unable to attend the meeting tonight. All members agreed to recommend Audrey Blauch to the Board of Supervisors to fill the vacancy.

The Board Members discussed keeping Dwayne Elder as Chair and Corey Uhrich as Vice-Chair.

**MOTION: Motion was made and seconded for Dwayne Elder to remain Chair and Corey Uhrich to remain Vice-Chair. Motion approved unanimously.**

The Parks and Recreation Board Members must affirm the 2022 meeting dates. Meetings were published and will continue to be held the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month. All meetings commence at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Municipal Building.

**MOTION: Motion was made and seconded to approve the Parks and Recreation meeting dates for 2022. Motion approved unanimously.**

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

There were no comments from the public as there was no public in attendance.

Chair Elder asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes or for a motion to approve the minutes from the December meeting as the January meeting was cancelled.

**MOTION: Motion was made and seconded to approve the December minutes. Motion approved unanimously.**

**ASSISTANT TOWNSHIP MANAGER REPORT – Lori Books**

**New Business**

New Plans / FILO – Plans were received for the residential subdivision, “Canal Street Pocket Neighborhood”. They are proposing 23 apartments on one lot. Community Homes of Lebanon is listed as the owner. Once the plan is further along, the Township will receive the Fees in Lieu Of for this plan.

2021 Annual Activity Report – Lori provided a copy of the 2021 Annual Activity Report to each member for review. This report highlights decisions and events that occurred throughout 2021 for the Parks and Recreation Board. This report is then submitted to the Board of Supervisors. Lori asked the Board members for approval or for any revisions they see fit.

**MOTION: Motion was made and seconded to approve the 2021 Annual Activity Report to be submitted to the Board of Supervisors. Motion approved unanimously.**

Keystone Novelties Request – Lori received a request from Keystone Novelties to set up their 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks tent at the intersection of Route 72 and Jay Street. The Board members recommended approval of their request and suggested the fee be \$800.00 for 2022.

DCNR Grant – Award Letter – The Township applied to DCNR for a grant for improvements to Lion’s Lake, including the shoreline restoration, new playground equipment, parking lot improvements, walking path updates, and several other items. A copy of the approval letter received from DCNR was provided to each member. The grant is a 50% match up to the maximum project cost of \$500,000.00. We were awarded the full \$250,000.00. This is step one. This states that DCNR is setting aside the money for North Lebanon Township from one of the listed agencies. The Township is currently working to get step two of the process complete which is applying to the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) for approval of the grant funds. Lori provided a detailed budget outline showing the approximate cost of the entire project. The Lebanon County Consortium has agreed to pay our portion of the shoreline restoration project.

Baseball Agreements and Fees – Dwayne informed Lori that the baseball program will be joining Little League. Little League will provide liability insurance for every field that they play on. Ebenezer Baseball will still hold liability insurance for the Teener program.

Dwayne is unsure if Little League will use our fields. The question is, if the Little League decides to use our fields, do we make them have an agreement and pay the \$500.00 fee like the other associations? Lori is looking for direction from Board.

Dwayne stated that we are the only Township that charges for field usage. Lori explained that she received fee schedules from neighboring municipalities for comparison. Further discussion took place. The members agreed to table the discussion until they know whether the fields will be used or not.

Pertinent Issues – Dwayne asked Lori if the couple interested in reopening the concession stand at Lions Lake were still moving forward with the idea? Lori informed the Board that the couple decided this wasn't the right time for them to pursue their plans of opening the concession stand. Another gentleman had reached out about opening a coffee shop. Since the other couple backed out, Lori reached out to this gentleman and is waiting to hear back.

Lori received an email from WellSpan regarding the GO Lebanon program. This is a summer program to get kids out of the house where they use a map to find a hidden post. They would like to use Lions Lake again. All Board members agreed to let them use Lions Lake again this year. Lori will forward their recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.

**PARK & REC ACTIVITIES (December & January)**

Dave continues to stain the wooden picnic tables and benches at the parks. The vinyl coated metal picnic tables from the open-air pavilions are being washed. Concrete blocks are being made for the dedicated tree plaques. The spray equipment is also being cleaned.

Lion's Lake – The burning bushes along Lake Drive near the soccer field have been trimmed. New sand was spread at the volleyball court.

Long Lane – The backstop repairs at the teener field were started.

Lenni Lenape – The fairways continue to be mulched.

**COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Dwayne asked Lori if the fee schedule is remaining the same for 2022 regarding the fees for baseball games and tournaments? Lori responded yes.

**MOTION:** Motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion approved unanimously.

With there being no more business brought before the Parks and Recreation Board the meeting was adjourned at 7:21 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Molly Lum  
Recording Secretary