Casco Township Parks and Recreation Committee Regular Meeting August 13, 2019

1. Call to Order & Roll Call: Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Those Committee members present were Bruce Brandon, Paul Macyauski, Andy Litts, David Griessel and John Johnson, Don Kuick, Dylon Zumda, Kathy Brandon, recording secretary. Absent: Rachel Ridley.

Public Present: Mr. Chuck Ippel and Patti Arnold residents of Casco Township.

- **2. Approval of the July 13, 2019 Minutes:** Paul made a motion to accept the July 09, 2019 minutes as written, 2nd by david and this motion approved by all.
- 3. Public Comments: Patti Arnold wondered when the repair of the stair rail would be completed at First Street. She also questioned if "all" rental owners received the letter from the Township reqarding the rules at First Street. She also let us know how terrible the new shrubs look at the access, since half of them are dead. Paul let her know that we have a warranty on them and they will be replaced by the landscaper. Lastly she wanted to note that there is a lot of garbage in the ravine north of the Access and south of Sleepy Hallow. Paul gave her the name of who to contact concerning this.
- 4. Correspondence received: None
- 5. **First Street Access project update**: The Committee volunteers will continue to repair and replace handrails. The brush around and under the stairs needs to be weed whipped.
- **6. Miami Park Property**: A resident happened to contact Bruce about trimming the Sumac, he Ok'd that.
- **7. Park Maintenance Report from Dylon:** He reported that a tree was down on the fence in the Nature Preserve. Paul asked him to weed whip around the Frist Street access stairs.
- 8. Nature Preserve maintenance Update: Rachel sent everyone an email concerning the invasive species. The Conservation people went through the Nature Preserve and identified 8 evasive. They suggested what Don has been saying, pulling out and using Roundup is the preferred method. Andy contacted Davis Landscaping to get him a quote to actually do this process. They will go in and clean to the ground the areas on both sides of trail. Cleaning the benches, tables, and run a power sweeper through the area. Trimming the viewing areas. The plan would be to have a contract to manage this every year. The quote from Davis Landscaping is \$7,650. Andy made a motion to take this Quote to the Board for approval, motion 2nd by David, approved by all. Don our Committee arborist will work on an invasive species plan, clear and reestablish plan.
- 9. Board Representative Update: None
- 10. Cheryl Brenner, our Casco Township Clerk, swore in Don Kuick as a new Committee Member
- **11. Adjournment:** John made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by David.

Minutes respectfully submitted, Kathy Brandon Minutes respectfully submitted: Kathy Brandon