

Casco Township Park & Recreation Committee Meeting
September 10, 2013

1. **Meeting called to order at 7:13 pm.** Present at the meeting were Bruce Brandon, Louis Howerton, John Johnson, Judy Graff, Sandra Warren, Pam Blough and Kathleen Brandon.
2. **The agenda** for this meeting was approved.
3. **The Meeting minutes of August 13, 2013** were approved with a motion made by Judy Graff and Seconded by Sandra Warren.
4. **Correspondence:** The initial scoring for the MNRTF came in the mail. Pam went over our score, which was a Competitive 240. Discussion on how to improve our score was had at length. Pam will resubmit with additional information.
5. **Public comments:** None
6. **Township Hall plantings:** The board accepted the donation of trees from Doug Murdock along with Brian DeBest for their installation. They will be installed around the perimeter as proposed. This has actually turned into an Eagle Scout Project which will start in October.
7. **Friends of the Nature Preserve:** Our thanks go out to Judy Graff for finding Gigi Sizemore who has volunteered to lead the group for one year. She has a summer home here so will do this from May through October of 2014.
8. **Blue Star Pathway Update:** No new information. Bruce reported that the Harvest Country Bike Tour was a huge success.
9. **Casco Township Nature Preserve:**
 - a. Pam and Cherri Brenner, Township Clerk, are working together to close out the paperwork on the south section of the Preserve.
 - b. Under the Coastal Management Grant Project update: The Board and the DEQ approved the Stairway Project for bids. Pam will send out 4 bid packets. She has talked to 2 of the 4 bidders. Bids will be due Monday, September 16, 2013 at 3pm. Soil erosion and sediment control permits will need to be completed as well.
10. **Invasive Species Policy:** No action taken.
11. **Township Board Update:** Judy Graff noted that the Board is considering a millage for Police Services in the Township. Judy would like to see feedback from the residents and possible Crime reports on file before this goes to a vote.
12. **Committee Comments:** Sandra Warren reminded the members that her term ends this year.
13. **A motion** was made by John Johnson, seconded by Judy Graff to adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted:
Kathy Brandon 10/14/2013