

## Clifford Township Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes 1/24/18

Present: Bob Lopatofsky, Tom Roberts, Buzz Boomer, Jen Long

Absent: Patti Walker

### **Old Business:**

Minutes from the November 2017 meeting were approved.

Multi-purpose court: Larry Wilson is researching basketball hoop set-up options. Some have adjustable heights. The ones that are spec'd go 6' in the ground and pour concrete around the posts, which must be leveled. Larry has found a set-up that goes on a concrete pad. Completion date for this project is 12/2018 in order to receive the DCNR funding.

EMHR Grant: We are still waiting to officially hear that money has been awarded and projects can begin.

Stream Work: Larry Wilson met with a DEP employee to discuss the bridge options. The first priority will be to stabilize the bank and possibly decrease the span a bit. Permits last 3 years, but extensions are available. A temporary crossing permit will be used to move machines across for work purposes. Currently crossing is not possible when water is high. Size and construction of bridge is still to be determined. Larry is meeting with an engineer prior to our next meeting and should have more information to offer on construction possibilities at that time.

Currently an ice dam exists upstream. It is uncertain if it is due to fallen trees or other debris. A meeting with emergency management personnel should provide information on who is responsible for maintaining the creek beds upstream that ultimately cause drainage issues on the Township property.

The United Way book box is being created by students from the CTC to mount on the outside of the building. Concerns were expressed about materials being placed in the box that promote certain agendas. After completion someone will be assigned responsibility of monitoring material.

Daydreamers Child Care Center has set up a clothing/toys donation site. Space behind the stage in the gym has been allocated to store the items.

The Garden Club is moving forward with plans to have its plant exchange at the park. The event will be set up in the garage space, similar to the Christmas event, with tents outside. This is held the 1st Sunday in June. Plans are not yet finalized.

A new basketball net will be installed in the gym. Carpet will also be installed to cover the lower portion of the walls. Some holes were noted in the sheetrock during inspection for the child care facility. Concern was expressed about the use of hard balls inside, possibly causing the damage. A suggestion was made to use only tennis balls and Rob Keating offered to deliver some to use. Bob Lopatofsky will discuss this policy change with his baseball families who use the facility. The possibility of camera installation in the gym area was discussed due to the flexibility of access to the building.

**New Business:**

Rob Keating introduced himself and offered assistance with the fishing end of the stream improvement.

Jennifer Long will create an organizational chart for the board members, with dates of appointments and terms. A new agenda will also be distributed before the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Long