June 23 2021 Park Commission Meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:32 p.m.

Members present: Aaron Graf, Ken Sokol, Richard Morrison. Absent; Diane Graf

Members received the park budget and approved the minutes from February

The June meeting is purposed to inspect the condition of the park and make recommendations for repair. To achieve that end members walked the length of the pathway and beyond to make observations:

The gazebo is in the process of being repaired: the new cement in the pavilion is a welcome improvement.

Weed spray along the pathway and under benches will need to be re-applied before summer's end. Richard will trim under benches before spraying.

Aaron volunteered to remove growth along west side of park and sumacs along north side this fall.

Hickory tree area needs to be re-mulched-about 550 sq feet and playscape needs additional sand. Ken is looking to get some help on these areas. Richard will talk to Sunshine Products to estimate the amount of material needed.

King Kong playscape needs new climbing rope replacement, baby swing, possibly new climbing rocks and signage that ensures children's use only.

Tree needs removing near south baseball field/also branches overhanging N pavilion: 4inch PVC pipe protruding through pathway needs removing.

There remains a raised bump/blacktop eruption behind NE backstop.

The crack filling for the most part has improved the walkway.

The Stockbridge Library has installed the story book trail once again.

Diane, although not present, contributed to this report.

Meeting adjourned 8:00p.m. Respectfully submitted, Richard Morrison, Chair

February 2021 Park Commission Meeting

Members present: Aaron Graf, Diane Graf, Richard Morrison, Ken Sokol

The budget preparation meeting was unlike any held over the last thirty years. Due to circumstances and covid restrictions in place, an in person meeting was not possible. It was supplanted by old and new means- landlines, cell phones and electronic mail.

Each member received a sample copy of a new budget format that Aaron created to satisfy the auditor's request. Additionally, Richard sent the minutes of the previous meeting for review.

Members approved both the minutes and the proposed budget to be submitted to the Township board for their March meeting.

During December's warm weather, the park had many visitors- People strolling, exercising, dog walking and soccer players. Several people mentioned that they look forward to the park Christmas decorations each year. Richard was aided by Karl and Harold Kemler along with their tractor and loader to place decorations on the utility poles.

It was noticed on several occasions during the late fall that adults were using playground equipment intended only for children. This will be a topic addressed at the June meeting if not before.

The baby swing for the large playscape that was back ordered did not arrive and will be re-ordered

The June meeting should be more normal especially since it is always held outdoors to take stock of those things that need attention. Social distancing will be an easy task.

Meeting adjourned February 17 at 7:45

Respectfully submitted by Richard Morrison, Chairman/Secretary