

HOWARD TOWNSHIP PARK BOARD MEETING
PROPOSED MINUTES
May 1, 2017

Present: Judi Bedell Deutscher, Jan Gordon, Denise Kasprzak, Marcia Pedzinski

Absent: Pauline Washington

Deutscher called the meeting to order at 7 p.m., followed by the pledge of allegiance. Roll call attendance was taken and the proposed minutes of the April 3rd regular meeting were presented. Gordon makes a motion to accept the minutes; Kasprzak seconds; motion passed.

Treasurer's report:

The April expenditure report was distributed. The slag delivered for the lower parking level at Pepper Martin came in approximately \$500 under the quote of \$5250. There was an invoice from Elmer's Locksmith of \$900+ for an "alarm lock", this is for an unknown service and Gordon will look into it further; there was, however, a service charge to repair a lock following the recent vandalism. Other invoices included maintenance supplies, fuel, electric, trash and the Joy Johns which are already placed at Jones and Pepper Martin.

Correspondence: There was no correspondence this month.

Old Business:

Dusk to dawn lighting: It was determined that all current lights at all the parks are working. Discussion followed regarding adding more lights at Pepper Martin. HTBL representative Jason has located LED lights for a cost of \$7/each. Gordon made a motion to obtain and install seven of these LED lights at Pepper Martin and reimburse Jason for the cost; motion was seconded by Kasprzak, all present in favor, motion carried.

Vandalism & repairs: Deutscher is still working on getting some quotes but several repairs have already been completed. Things still to be done include: shed, netting in the batting cage, and the electrical box. All information has been submitted to the insurance. Discussion followed and it is to be noted that the insurance company did not provide timely service when it came to checking out the damage or inspecting the site, depending on the Board to do all the groundwork, which Deutscher provided.

Security cams: Deutscher has acquired several old security cameras, these will be mounted and used until such time as a new system can be purchased and installed. Deutscher has also looked into 18"x24" reflective security signs, receiving a quote of \$35/sign. After some discussion regarding the wording of the signs, placement and total needed, Gordon made a motion to purchase and put up six of the signs in strategic locations to alert the public that there are surveillance cameras in use. Motion was seconded by Kasprzak, all present in favor, motion carried.

The lower parking level at Pepper Martin looks good with the new slag, even after all the recent rain.

Contracts and insurance for the OSB tournaments using the fields at Pepper Martin will be dropped off at the township office this week. It was reported that there was a great turnout for opening weekend.

The leaves at Hatcherville still need to be picked up; the Park Supervisor has been in contact with the vendor and this should be completed this week.

New Business:

Trash concerns at Pepper Martin were discussed, including the suggestion to acquire a larger dumpster during ball season (May-July). Kasprzak will look into this further.

It was brought to the attention of the Board that the well at Pepper Martin will need to be tested and chlorinated annually; this needs to be included in the budget for future reference.

Park Supervisor's report:

All the parks are open; Joy Johns will be set up soon at Hatcherville, Kiddie Korral and Sholtey. Boards will be purchased to repair fences as needed.

Public comments:

There were further comments regarding the well situation at Pepper Martin.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kasprzak, seconded by Gordon.

The next scheduled meeting is Monday, June 5, 2017 @ 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted

Marcia Pedzinski, secretary