

**HOWARD TOWNSHIP PARK BOARD MEETING
PROPOSED MINUTES
February 7, 2022**

Present: Don Cross, Debbie Floor, Jan Gordon, Marcia Pedzinski, Erika Pickles

Absent:

Gordon called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance. Roll call attendance was taken and the proposed minutes of the January regular meeting were presented, Pickles made a motion to accept the minutes, Cross seconds, motion passed.

Treasurer's report: Invoices included purchase of 2 volleyball nets, fuel, mower blades and other supplies, and electric for all parks. Motion made by Floor to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Pedzinski, motion passed.

Correspondence: Notice from Deputy clerk Kristen requesting budget requests for upcoming fiscal year; is on agenda to address tonight

Old Business:

- Jones Park pavilion roof: one quote has been received from Epic Builders, Floor still working on getting other estimates, Gordon will help with making contacts; work will not be done before spring but want to get it lined up
- Replacement of tractor: reviewed quotes from Weaver Ag for both Briggs and Kawasaki models; discussion followed; Pickles will continue to follow up and get a quote from HFS for comparison; also need to check and see if Township is willing/able to help fund this replacement as the tractor will be utilized for purposes outside the parks as well
- Hiring of new assistant park supervisor for 2022 season: Jack Frost is no longer interested in the position; discussed posting job description and opening on the township website and sharing to social media; need to hire before parks open for spring
- Playground equipment at Ellis: there has been no further response regarding this and the Board is no longer interested in pursuing based on the unknown age of the equipment and potential safety concerns
- Budget for 2022-2023: Review of each line item and current status based on most recent expenditure report, adjustments made and agreed upon; Gordon will submit finalized budget proposal to office for presentation to Township Trustees

New Business:

- Proposed Easter egg hunt at Jones by Niles Service League: discussion of date and potential problem areas of ground being too soaked for parking after melting snow; was suggested to consider Pepper Martin for established parking area

Park Supervisor's report: the parks are all closed, nothing new to report

Township Park reports:

Hatcherville/Cross: nothing new to report at this time

Jones/Gordon: nothing new to report at this time

Kiddie Korral/Pedzinski: nothing new to report at this time

Pepper Martin/Floor: nothing new to report at this time

Sholtey/Pickles: nothing new to report at this time

Public comments: None

A motion to adjourn was made by Floor, seconded by Pickles.

The next scheduled meeting is Monday, March 7, 2021 @ 6pm

Respectfully submitted
Marcia Pedzinski, secretary