

**HOWARD TOWNSHIP PARK BOARD MEETING  
PROPOSED MINUTES  
April 3, 2023**

**Present:** Debbie Floor, Jan Gordon, Marcia Pedzinski, Erika Pickles

**Absent:** Don Cross

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 March 2023 regular meeting were presented, Floormade a motion to accept the minutes, Pickles seconds, motion passed.

**Treasurer's report:** Current invoices included electric, trash, and Watson's tree removal at Pepper Martin, Motion made by Pedzinski to accept the report as presented, seconded by Floor, motion passed. Most recent expenditure report was distributed to all members.

**Correspondence:** None

**Old Business:**

- Plumbing in bathroom of concession stand at Pepper Martin: Supplies have been purchased and are waiting for install; bathrooms will be ready for opening day
- 2023-2024 budget for the parks has been submitted; township has yet to give final approval
- Assistant Park Supervisor position has been filled; introduction of Scott Keegan
- Light poles at Pepper Martin: request submitted to rent boom lift to finish taking poles down, need 1-2 more quotes before making decision on this
- Park improvements/playground equipment: met with consultant 3/20, see attached letter for recommendations; waiting for quotes
- Contract has been received for 2023 season from Bangarangatana, waiting for contracts from HTBL and Jones Park Disc Golf League
- Trees at Pepper Martin and Sholtey being taken care of by Watson's

**New Business:**

- Vandalism at Jones Park: teenage perpetrators were caught and police report filed; nozzle of tank is now locked up to prevent further occurrences
- Recommended to paint rental pavilions at Pepper Martin as well as 3 benches by the Brazo pavilion at the horseshoe pit
- Fence damage at Kiddie Korral and Sholtey due to fallen trees; Gordon will get photos for insurance claim
- Park supervisor will check broken spring rocking horse at Kiddie Korral to see if it is able to be repaired or if it needs to be removed
- Pickles has called Garrett labs to test water before ball season opening, will coordinate with park supervisor to get this done

**Park Supervisor's report:**

- Requested to be able to purchase second leaf blower, will get 2-3 quotes and present at next meeting
- Parks are officially open and are working on clean-up at each; port-a-johns are set up; picnic tables are ready in pavilions; will get swings out and turn on water this week

**Township Park reports:**

*Hatcherville/Cross:* absent; no report

*Jones/Gordon:* nothing new to report

*Kiddie Korral/Pedzinski:* nothing new to report

*Pepper Martin/Floor:* nothing new to report

*Sholtey/Pickles:* Northside end of year event will be June 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup>

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

The next scheduled meeting is Monday, May 1, 2023 @6p

Respectfully submitted

Marcia Pedzinski, secretary