

**HOWARD TOWNSHIP PARK BOARD MEETING
PROPOSED MINUTES
August 7, 2023**

Present: Debbie Floor, Jan Gordon, Marcia Pedzinski

Absent: Erika Pickles

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 July 2023 regular meeting were presented, Floor made a motion to accept the minutes, Gordon seconds, motion passed.

Treasurer's report: Presented by Gordon in absence of treasurer: Current invoices included electric, trash, fuel, Joy Johns, C'n'M LLC for tree removal, and misc supplies from Lowe's and TSC. Motion made by Pedzinski to accept the report as presented, seconded by Floor, motion passed. Revenue/expenditure report for July was distributed to members

Old Business:

- Park improvements/playground equipment: Project scheduled for October, with equipment arriving first week of month and to be completed by the end of the month
- SPARK and LQCC grants: nothing new at this time
- 5 year Master Plan – ongoing project; copies of 2009-2014 plan distributed for review
- Light poles at Pepper Martin: lights have been removed from the poles; power boxes have yet to be removed before poles can be taken down; discussion of how this can be done included use of a tree service
- Hatcherville concerns: nothing new since last post; looking for person in neighborhood to consider keeping an eye out and being a liaison
- No interest has been expressed in the open Park Board position

New Business:

- Another tree reported down at Pepper Martin – across driveway going down to lower field; it also took out the fence; Gordon will make contacts regarding fence as well as getting quotes for taking down remainder of tree towering over drive and play area
- Discussion of HTBL renting extra dumpster on future tournament weekends
- Toilets at Pepper Martin pavilion are closed until further notice due to drainage issues; may possibly need new septic tank; township trustees are dealing with this
- Discussed possibility of contracting tree service annually rather than per incident; will research pros/cons for further consideration and discussion
- Reviewed Capital Improvement fund report and possible uses for the portion allotted to the parks

Park Supervisor's report:

- Painting was done last month; still working to repair 2-way teeter totter at Kiddie Korral

Township Park reports:

Hatcherville/ no report

Jones/Gordon: nothing new to report

Kiddie Korral/Pedzinski: nothing new to report

Pepper Martin/Floor: nothing new to report

Sholtey/Pickles: nothing new to report

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

The next scheduled meeting is Monday, September 11, 2023 @6p

Respectfully submitted

Marcia Pedzinski, secretary