

**HOWARD TOWNSHIP PARK BOARD MEETING  
PROPOSED MINUTES  
October 2, 2023**

**Present:** Debbie Floor, Jan Gordon, Marcia Pedzinski, 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 September 2023 regular meeting were presented, Floor made a motion to accept the minutes, Pickles seconds, motion passed.

**Treasurer's report:** Current invoices included electric, trash, and misc supplies from Lowes. Motion made by Pedzinski to accept the report as presented, seconded by Floor, motion passed.

**Old Business:**

- Park improvements/playground equipment: Project scheduled to begin soon and be completed by the end of October
- SPARK grant: tabled
- 5 year Master Plan – ongoing project
- Light poles at Pepper Martin: Gordon working on this with a contact at AEP
- Fence repair not yet completed, Gordon will check with Custom Fence for schedule
- Trustees are addressing the toilets at Pepper Martin pavilion
- Continuing to gather information regarding the possibility of contracting a tree service annually rather than per incident
- Budget amendment of \$10,000 was approved by Trustees for contract services in order to cover added cost of tree removal this year
- New assistant park supervisor Mark Lundy will work a couple days a week through the end of October, training and helping to close the parks

**New Business:**

- Need to replace the memorial sign at the fire station

**Park Supervisor's report:**

- beginning winterizing at Pepper Martin this week; a barrel stolen from Hatcherville will be replaced; supervisor will call Simmons for a quote for leaf pick-up; Joy Johns scheduled to be picked up next week, leaving one at Jones and one at Pepper Martin

**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 Pickles, seconded by Floor

The next scheduled meeting is Monday, November 6, 2023 @6p

Respectfully submitted

Marcia Pedzinski, secretary