

## **STRABAN TOWNSHIP PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**

*Tom Adair, Deb Kammerer, Peter Sontheimer, John Colgan, Vacant*

### **MEETING OF: SEPTEMBER 17, 2018**

The Straban Township Parks & Recreation Advisory Board met this date, as publicly advertised, at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Straban Township Municipal Building, 1745 Granite Station Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325 with Board Chair Tom Adair presiding. Others in attendance were; Vice Chair Deb Kammerer; Secretary/Treasurer Peter Sontheimer; Member John Colgan; and Office Manager Robin Crushong.

Others in attendance: Tony Sanders.

Board Chair Tom Adair brought the meeting to order.

#### **Minutes:**

Mr. Sontheimer moved, seconded by Ms. Kammerer, to approve the July 16, 2018 minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Reports:**

##### **Treasurer:**

The beginning balance as of July 16, 2018 was \$37,542.04. There were expenses totaling \$1,484.00. There was interest earned in the months of July and August in the amount of \$2.86. There were no recreation fees collected. The balance in the Recreation Account is currently \$36,060.90. **Ms. Kammerer moved, seconded by Mr. Colgan to approve the Treasurer Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

#### **Appearances:**

None.

#### **Old Business:**

**Update on the North Gettysburg Trail Extension Study** – Jodie Evans of McMahon & Associates sent the pedestrian crossing and ADA ramp design plans and related ADA forms. The Board reviewed this information. The next step would be to send the Final Payment Request under the Adams County Parks, Recreation and Green Space Grant with County of Adams and schedule a settlement date. The scope of work requested under the grant has been completed.

The project is now ready for construction. This will need to be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors recommending that this project go out for bid (contracts exceeding \$20,100) or receive at least three (3) written or telephone quotes (contracts exceed \$10,900 but do not exceed \$20,100). Once we have a plan for the crosswalk, we can approach the School District outlining how we could work together to accomplish connection. Ms. Crushong was asked to contact Jodie Evans, McMahon & Assoc. and/or Erik Vranich, Wm. F. Hill & Assoc. to see if they could provide a ball park figure of how much the construct of the crosswalk would cost. Send Mr. Vranich the concept plan along with the pedestrian crossing and ADA ramp design plans. **Ms. Kammerer moved, seconded by Mr. Colgan to recommend to the Board of Supervisors to proceed with this project to construction of the crosswalk at Johnson Drive and Old Harrisburg Road. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Recreation Park Status and Scheduling** – The park is being scheduled with organizations and individuals. So far, no conflicts. The Gettysburg Midget Football team has been using the grass area between Fields A and B for practice.

It was discussed that the fields are too wet for the soccer teams to bring in the light towers. Ms. Crushong will do an e-mail to the soccer contact person and let them know that the light towers are not approved for this year.

**Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan** – Mr. Sontheimer indicated nothing new to report.

**New Business:**

**South Mountain Partnership Trail Workshop** – This would be good to attend, however, the date did not fit any Board Members schedule.

**Park Improvement Plan Revision: Project Prioritization** – The Board discussed many options to improve the Recreation Park. Things discussed: a) Bathroom station (could contact GMA for hook-up and to see what the cost of this would be since it is already at Tractor Supply). Mr. Sanders indicated that the water supply that we currently have is not really good and he would not recommend a water fountain for liability reasons; b) Enlarging the maintenance building and adding the bathroom station on that. The bathrooms would need to be locked and drained in the winter time; c) Horseshoe pits – bring your own horseshoes; d) Additional pavilion – this was in the original plan; e) Additional parking – this was in the original plan; f) Trail at park – purchase some of Eckert property to use as a trail around the park; g) Connect Hunters Crossing, Twin Oaks and North Trail.

Ms. Crushong will e-mail the original plan to everyone for their information. This discussion will continue next meeting.

**Public Comment:**

None.

**Adjournment:**

With no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Adair moved, seconded by Mr. Sontheimer to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. this date.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin K. Crushong  
Office Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

**NEXT MEETING:**

SUPERVISORS: October 1, 2018

PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD: November 19, 2018