

MEETING LOCATION:           **IN PERSON MEETING**  
  **PATTON TOWNSHIP BOARD ROOM**

**SUMMARY MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Hickman called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Members present were Mr. Barry Bram and Mr. Rich Koch. Ms. Ann Taylor and Mr. Greg Turner were absent. Ms. Cindy Solic, Patton Township representative to the Centre Region Parks&Rec Authority (CRPRA) was present.

Staff members present were Ms. Susan Wheeler, Project Manager and Ms. Alexandra Castrechini, Director of Engineering, Zoning & Planning/Township Engineer. Mr. Derek Aggleton and Mr. Edgar Boord of the Centre County Disc Golf Association (CCDGA) were present.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion to accept the July Recreation Advisory Committee minutes was made by Mr. Koch and seconded by Mr. Bram. All members voted in favor of the adoption of the minutes.

**3. ADDITIONS TO THE POSTED AGENDA**

The Chair asked the Committee members if they wanted to add any agenda items that are not already on the agenda. No items were added to the agenda.

Any Committee member wishing to add an item to the agenda shall ask for recognition by the Chair and shall make a motion to add an item, including stating the nature of the item and reason for changing the agenda. If the motion is seconded, the Chair shall oversee discussion and a vote on the motion to add the item. If the motion is approved by a majority vote of the individuals present and voting, the item shall be added to the agenda. The Chair shall determine the placement of the added item within the meeting agenda.

**4. CENTRE COUNTY DISC GOLF ASSOCIATION (CCDGA) – BERNEL ROAD PARK DISC GOLF COURSE**

At the May spring parks tour, the Committee visited the two (2) disc golf courses in Patton Township parks, and they also visited the disc golf course at Harvest Fields in Boalsburg.

Mr. Derek Aggleton (President) and Mr. Edgar Boord (Course Director) for the CCDGA led a tour of the Bernel Road Park disc golf course to discuss potential modifications to the mowing plan and the potential relocation of some of the fairways and baskets.

Mr. Aggleton and Mr. Boord of the CCDGA presented and discussed elements in their proposal. Specifically they discussed changes to the mowing plan and the re-alignment of five (5) holes.

The re-alignment of holes 6, 7 and 8 would require using the Great Lawn area of the park. The Committee discussed if a change in use of this area would be appropriate. The re-alignment of holes 17 and 18 would be easier to accomplish and make those holes more playable.

Messrs. Aggleton and Boord also commented that hole 13 has a poison ivy problem that makes it unplayable. Ms. Wheeler said she would seek a solution to remove and/or kill the poison ivy.

The Committee said they would like to visit the site and to view and discuss the potential modifications. This park will be added to the September Parks Tour.

Ms. Wheeler also commented that the mowing of the "rough" at the Circleville Park disc golf course has been very well received by the disc golf community. This mowing has been done by the Patton Township road crew for this season.

#### **5. GHANER DRIVE PARKLET SURVEY**

At the June 21, 2022 RAC meeting, the Committee discussed an encroachment into the Ghaner Drive Parklet. The Committee made a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors (Board) that the homeowner be required to remove all items that have been installed in the park land. The Board agreed and have requested that the homeowner remove all items encroaching into the park.

In July, the Committee also recommended that a survey be undertaken to determine the opinions of the residents of Valley Vista Park and Vista Woods. The survey will be designed to determine if there is a need/desire for the addition of recreation facilities to Ghaner Drive Parklet. The Committee asked staff to prepare a draft survey.

The Committee reviewed the draft survey and suggested two (2) modifications. Ms. Wheeler said she would modify the survey and work towards distributing the survey and collecting data in the fall.

#### **6. BERNEL ROAD PARK PHASES 2A/2B**

The plan for Bernel Road Park Phases 2A/2B was approved by the Board of Supervisors in 2019. A total of \$280,000.00 in grant funding has been awarded by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR).

Phases 2A/2B will include the fitness challenge course, the pump track, parking and associated pathways, benches, and other amenities.

Mr. Chuck Strodoski of YSM Landscape Architects provided the Committee with three (3) options for the design of the fitness challenge course. The Committee discussed the proposals and decide that General Recreation would be the best fit for the project.

#### **7. BOY SCOUT TROOP 375 VOLUNTEER PROJECT**

Mr. Ted Zeljak, a troop leader with Boy Scout Troop 375 has asked if the troop can perform volunteer work doing maintenance work on the existing paths in the wooded area of Gray's Woods Park. Completing this work will help them complete certain requirements for some of their

merit badges. The Committee thought this would be a good project and agreed to have the troop work on the paths in Gray's Woods Park.

**8. FALL PARKS TOUR – SEPTEMBER 20, 2022**

The September RAC meeting is the fall parks tour and will begin at 4:00 pm, leaving from the Patton Township office building.

The Committee said they would like to visit two (2) parks:

Bernel Road Park: potential disc golf course modifications and the new pickleball courts  
Green Hollow Park: the new path and the new tennis courts

**9. REGIONAL PARKS ISSUES UPDATE**

Ms. Solic provided the following update:

- A work session was held to discuss the Hess Fields Master Plan and the Oak Hall Master Plan.

**10. OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

**11. ADJOURN**

Mr. Koch made a motion to adjourn at 6:45 pm. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bram. The next meeting will be the Fall Parks Tour and be held Tuesday, September 20, 2022 beginning at 4:00 pm.