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PENN TOWNSHIP RECREATION COMMITTEE  
MAY 31, 2019

The Penn Township Recreation Committee met on May 31, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Penn Township Municipal building. This was the first meeting of the reestablished recreation committee. Present for the meeting were members Kevin Mahan, Doug Noble and Christine Oglevee, Commissioner Joseph Klunk, and Manager Kristina Rodgers. Recreation Board members Mark Elkins and Cherokee Diem were absent with notice. The following items were discussed:

All the members of the committee introduced themselves. Commissioner Klunk explained that he was the Board of Commissioners representative. He also explained about the available funds the Township has in its' recreation account that is obtained by recreation fees. He explained some of the history of the Community Park. Manager Rodgers provided copies of the Master Recreation plan that had been created by the Board of Commissioners in 2018. The most important item in the plan was the updating of the creative playground known as Kid's Kingdom. The playground was constructed in 1996. Member Mahan reviewed that the Township had an inspection of the playground done in 2016. That inspection revealed some immediate problems that needed to be addressed and some suggestions to extend the life of the facility. Those actions were all taken along with some other small repairs as they are found or noted but users. Commissioner Klunk provided information on the last build including a flyer that was used for the build day.

The Committee discussed how to proceed. The prior recreation board had established a separate committee to be in charge of the fundraising and the actual build. The Committee decided to do something similar and recruit people to be on the rebuild committee. They first will start by asking those individuals that participated prior if they are interested in serving again. Even if they are not, they may have suggestions on how to proceed and what works best. The Committee also suggested taking the plan and posting it on facebook, placing out at the park, and putting something in the newsletter to get input on what people may want to see. It was also suggested that would could place something in the newsletter to recruit members for the Committee. Materials that were provide by Leathers and Associates were shared. They suggest between twelve and twenty-four members for the committee. We may want to seek grants for the project as well as solciting donations.

The Committee agreed to set the meetings for the fourth Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristina Rodgers  
Township Manager