Parks, Recreation, and Shade Tree Advisory Board

Minutes of Tuesday, January 24th, 2023

A meeting of the Parks, Recreation, and Shade Tree Advisory Board was held on Tuesday, January 24th, 2023, at the Greater Plymouth Community Center.

This was an unofficial meeting, as we did not have a quorum. Board members attending were Shannon Dryden, Jason Sugalski, and Jennifer McCracken; Parks and Recreation Director Phil Brady; and Plymouth Council at Large Karen Bramblett. Chairman Bryan Renneisen, Board Secretary Rosemary Winterbottom, and board members Neil Clark and Naomi Winchester were not in attendance. Plymouth Council will find a member to replace Mike Perez, who stepped down this year.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GUESTS AND VISITORS

There were no guests present.

1. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2023

We will approve at the March 28th meeting with quorum.

2. DISCUSSION OF PACKET MATERIALS

The monthly report for November and December 202 was reviewed. A memo listing the 2023 meeting dates was also reviewed.

Phil share the following events that took place in the fall:

-Eagle Scouts sanded the picnic tables at GPCC park and added a Little Library.

- -Christmas Tree Lighting- Plymouth Elementary Choir.
- -After school kids made the graham cracker gingerbread houses for display/competition.

-Breakfast with Santa (PW Hockey Team Volunteered).

-PreSchool Program made trees to hang at home.

-Holiday Lights Competition- Winning house on Sheffield.

-Aquatics Class- Rose back.

-Veterans Day- Marines

3. OLD BUSINESS

- A. General Department
 - 1. New offerings for 2023- swim lessons, pickleball lessons, fitness center
 - 2. Official Plymouth Township t-shirts- buy at GPCC, Phil discussed a few options 1886 (Year Plymouth was

incorporated) /outline of Plymouth and then take the designs to the internet- vote for your favorite!

- B. Community Center/CC Park
 - 1. Projects for CC- Keep clean and running
 - 2. Front Door- The plan is to get an electric lock where there front desk cna control. It's cheaper than the sliding doors, but the doors are the goal in the future (other community centers have them). Shannon asked what happens if the power goes out, and Phil let us know that nobody should be in the building if there is no power (but the front desk can still control them, regardless!

C. Parks and Maintenance

- 1. EPV playground done, JFK next, Colwell
- 2. Plans for outside pickleball courts, the pond at EPV floods, so there is a grant in the works.
- Trash cans at HWP were destroyed by fireworks- Karen showed us the picture. If this happens, there is a 4312 Line. Rick has answered. There is also a caretaker at HWP, John.

D. Wetherill Park

1. July 25th Meeting @Butler Pike Side. Don't forget!

E. Programming

- 1. Black Heritage Day 2/25, show up, no cost, open mic
- 2. Save the Dates for 2023
- 3. Lighting Contest recap- record amount of judges, 2nd largest amount of participants. Discussion about maybe a free event pass or free day pass for the winner(s).

F. NEW BUSINESS

 Love your Park/Promote Parks. Shannon and Phil discussed looking into this for Plymouth Parks. Karen mentioned HWP has their own Facebook page.

G. MISCELLANEOUS

 Jenn brought up PreSchool Camp- Plymouth Township could make a lot of money- it's an area of need. Phil mentioned GPCC used to do a PreSchool Camp. Shannon explained that it is a DHS regulation issue because GPCC is not a childcare center. Phil brought up how the #1155 bill passed in the House in PA, and needs to pass in the Senate. Karen mentioned that Maria Collett is our State Senator. Phil is going to add PreSchool Camp to his agenda, and we will follow bill #1155.

No official adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer McCracken for Rosemary Winterbottom