

Clifford Township Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes February 2016

Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm. Bob Lopatofsky, Buzz Boomer, Patti Walker and Jennifer Long were present.

Approval of January minutes was waived until next meeting due to the file not being sent to members.

The Children's Garden needs an additional \$4,000.00 to complete. Plans for the dinosaur and mural are moving forward. Harford Girl Scout Troop led by Missy Boswell, volunteered their time to help with painting and some construction.

Tom McLane provided the township with a map of the park complex with the new restrooms, multipurpose court and pavilion. Discussion about the size of the pavilion and costs took place. The pavilion is species at 30'x50' on the site map.

The court surface was also discussed, noting that any changes from the grant must be approved by DCNR first.

The township is still purchasing items with the money from the EMHR grant received for trail improvements.

Sandy Wilmot presented her TAP Grant proposal in Towanda. Alan Hall has recommended funding. Lynn Conrad helped prepare her presentation. She thought it was well received and she will know in June if she will receive funding.

There is a possible grant opportunity the township is exploring for purchasing the 10 acres adjacent to the back of the park. It is through a branch of DCNR and has a requirement of 25 years of recreational use.

The board will research applying for the Get Outdoors PA program membership.

The board is working to update its tab on the Clifford Township website.

Sandy Wilmot suggested looking into funds available through Susquehanna County Parks fund.

Larry Wilson is researching solar power installation as a way to utilize the funds received from gas money in a way that would yield return over the long term.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm. Next meeting is March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Long