

Tuscarora Township Parks Commission

April 14 APPROVED meeting minutes

Present were Doug Schofield, Pat McGinnis, Dave Meckstroth, Beau DePauw, Jennifer Andrew, and Jim Burke.

Visiting were Dawn Fenstermaker, Melinda Hamblton, Cathy Campbell, and Kelsey Rutkowski

The meeting was called to order at 1403 hrs.

Pat motioned and Beau seconded to accept the March meeting minutes as written. Carried.

Dawn and Melinda, representing *Great Start*, along with Cathy Campbell and Kelsey Rutkowski presented a “story walk” concept in conjunction with COP ESD. They proposed twenty podiums that they will supply and our library will update regularly that are story books geared for kids up to age twelve. We decided that it will be located at Cooperation Park. Dave motioned and Jim seconded approval of this plan. All agreed.

We reviewed the budget; all seems to be in order.

Doug is ready for the weather to break; ILS is lined up on field six benches and pigeon holes. The scoreboard will go up next week. The infield mix is here. Doug has everything lined up to install and grade it. Due to bidenflation, the price increased. Jim motioned and Jennifer seconded that we move \$28,350 from our fund balance to cover the cost. All agreed.

Doug is working with Mason Brothers for concrete work at the Kiwanis bench and the Red Barn walkway along the new seawall.

We adopted new language for the Parks Reservation Policy: “Lower Marina Park is a sensitive unstable area, due in large part to a high water table. Its’ use is limited to foot traffic and boat launch overflow parking. Commercial and heavy equipment is not permitted.” Dave motioned and Pat seconded that this be added to our policy. All agreed. Jim will write a proposed security deposit requirement to our Parks Reservation Policy for review in our May meeting.

Jim motioned and Jennifer seconded that we charge \$1K for the boat races as we did last year. All approved.

Jennifer is working on a \$100K grant from Kubota for municipality enhancements.

At 1505 Dave motioned and Pat seconded that we adjourn.

Our next meeting is planned for May 12, 2022 at 1400 hrs. in township hall.

Respectfully submitted March 11, 2022 by Jim Burke