

Tuscarora Township Parks Commission
June 9, 2022 APPROVED meeting minutes

Present were Doug Schofield, Pat McGinnis, Jennifer Andrew, Dave Meckstroth, and Jim Burke. Also in attendance were Janet Vance and Bob Kramer.

The meeting was called to order at 1403 hrs.

Jim motioned and Pat seconded to accept the May meeting minutes as written. Carried.

We need to complete the fencing on the south side of the Cooperation Park border. Doug talked with the neighbors and is planning to install a three foot high fence with a gate at the west end for their access. Approximate cost is \$8K.

We reviewed the budget; all seems to be in order. Doug has been working with Dawn on the 2023 budget and will be ready for the workshop June 14 at 1500 hrs.

Doug is working with Mason Brothers for concrete work at the Kiwanis bench and the Red Barn walkway along the new seawall. Both are complete. The tall pine at the launch is scheduled for removal.

The bridge stairway removal is nearly complete.

Doug would like to close the Cooperation park playground for two weeks in the Fall for a cleanup work bee.

We discussed giving Doug a raise. We all agree that he's worth more than we're paying him. Jim motioned with Pat's support that we increase Doug's annual salary from \$45,760 to \$55K. All agreed.

Doug would like a township credit card; he says that it will help him immensely. An audience member thinks that this needs to be approved by the township board. We respectfully disagree and think that Dawn has the authority to make that decision.

Fishing tournaments are a hardship on transient boaters that have difficulty using the launch due to tournament anglers using the entire overflow parking. Jim will discuss this with the MDNR and propose that the tournaments use the parking area at the airport, as the ATV organizations do.

At 1456 Jim motioned and Dave seconded that we adjourn.

Our next meeting is planned for July 7, 2022 at 1400 hrs. in township hall.

Respectfully submitted 12, 2022 by Jim Burke