Parks and Recreation Committee

July 14, 2022

Bois Blanc Township Hall

Present: Committee members - Ginger Canup, Jay Beugly, and Missy Phillips

Ginger Canup called the meeting was called to order at 4:06pm.

Minutes

Jay called for a motion to approve minutes from the June meeting. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Old Business

Properties

Brightwater Park – Diane Akright (lead on project) No update without Diane present

North Shore – Karen Beauchamp

We are waiting on funding approval from the Foundation and the Association. We are hopeful that the costs will be split between the two organizations.

Lake Mary – Jay Beugly

Jay is drafting a request for bids. Missy and Ginger suggested reaching out to Diane to look at past bid requests.

Snow Beach (Nichols Point) – Ginger Canup

Ginger created laminated signs to mark the property boundaries so that the public can have an idea of where the property starts and ends along the main road.

Funding – We had a discussion about the possibility of corporate funding/sponsors. Ideas included tiered approach to donations and possible park naming rights. It was decided that we need to verify from Diane or the Township Board, that the Parks Committee has the ability to request/accept corporate sponsors for the purchase of the property and then include their name in a list/signage somewhere on the property.

Fundraising

Logo Contest – Missy Phillips No submissions yet, but it takes people time to think and develop a logo, so we are not concerned.

Photo Contest – Ginger Canup

We have had 14 photos submitted and the quality of photos is excellent so far. We had a discussion about making sure that people we see on social media who have great pictures submit them to the contest.

Farmers Market – Missy Phillips

We worked 2 farmers markets so far and were able to raise \$531.00 on July 2nd and \$365.00 on July 9th. A significant portion of the donations on July 9th came from a Lemonade stand run by the Miller Family's Granddaughters.

Ginger is creating baskets for silent auctions at up coming Farmers Markets. The first group of baskets is geared towards kids.

Association Update – Missy Phillips

The Association is looking at putting up the pavilion in the property adjacent to the school. The pavilion size is still being discussed. They are planning to present their plan at the next township meeting.

Activities

Tie Dye – T-shirts – Ginger Canup Towards the end of August or early September Ginger is going to help setup a tie die event.

New Business

Missy let us know that the Association is looking for someone from the Parks and Rec Committee to give a 5min update on Parks and Rec plans/activities. Jay agreed to give the update on Aug 6th @ 10am in the Wagner Room.

Ginger suggested that due to the increased traffic down Maple Ave from people visiting the township's dock and camping area that the township should help fix some of Maple Ave. It currently has large potholes and could use a little maintenance. The committee members in attendance agreed that we should bring it to the attention of the Township board.

Public Comments

Beth Beson – Encouraged us to look into corporate sponsorship to help cover the costs of Nichols Point. She noted that the plan for the pavilion showed it much smaller than we initially discussed. Beth suggested that the kids at the story time readings on Wednesday could work on creating a Logo for the Parks and Rec.

Schedule

Next meeting is scheduled for August 11th @ 4pm.

With no new business the meeting adjourned at 5:200 pm.