Antrim Township Park Committee

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday January 17, 2024 @ 6:45PM

ATCP Maintenance Building

The regular monthly meeting of the Antrim Township Park Committee was held on Wednesday January 17, 2024 @ ATCP Maintenance Building. The following members were in attendance, Jason Reiber, Nate Bacon, Thom Moore, and Parks Director Cheryl Walburn.

Thom Moore brought the meeting to order at 6:45pm

**Election of officers:**

On a Bacon /Reiber motion to elect Thom Moore as Park Committee Chair for 2024 2/0 vote. Moore abstains from voting.

On a Moore/Bacon motion to elect Jason Reiber as Park Committee Vice Chair for 2024 2/0 vote. Reiber abstains from voting.

**Minutes:**

Meeting minutes from November 15,2023 were tabled until the next meeting. No quorum of members present on Nov 15, 2023.

**Visitors:**

**Park Directors Report:**

Provided for review.

**Old Business**

1. DCNR Grant

* Survey completed.
* CS Davidson, completing Architectural drawing for restroom, and stormwater.
* YSM is completing site plan.
* Entire project out to bid in next few months.

1. Master Site Plan

* Complete, waiting on final reports.

1. New road to Martins Mill Bridge Park.

* NPDES permitting to be completed for fall of 2024.

1. Natural Play Area

* Final stages of design
* Survey, storm water, grading plan completed.

**New Business**

1. Park car access when gates are closed.

* Recently Park gates were closed when disc golf had a round of play scheduled. Open discussion on whether special requests should be granted for a scheduled event. The park Committee compared this to a ball tournament that was postponed or cancelled by the township for heavy rain to protect the park’s assets(fields) and the safety of the players. Also having cars in the park before the roads are plowed creates a delay in opening the park for all after a snow event, for traffic runs over fresh snow creating ice. The park does not use salt on its roadways or paths to protect the turf at the park. This is why gates are closed before the snow event then opened as soon as storm is over and park roads are plowed and free from snow and ice.
* The park Committee would like to see a Facebook page for the township where updates could be posted.

1. Constable Buckley Park patrol

* Constable Buckley should be physical present patrolling the parks, reminding users of park ordinance such as, all dogs must be lease, and park closes at dusk, etc.

1. Public Comment

On a Reiber/Bacon motion the meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm

The next meeting will be at ATCP Maintenance Building February 21, 2024 @ 6:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Walburn - Parks Director