

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

September 10, 2020 – MINUTES

1. The meeting of the COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE was called to order at 6:06 PM by Sue Yenchko. In attendance were Kasha Griva, Rebecca Coleman, John Leverentz, Rebecca Yearick, Judy McAlister, and Cindy Foster, Borough Manager.

2. **Public Comment** – There was no public comment.

3. **Minutes** of the July 9, 2020 meeting were approved unanimously by a Griva/Yenchko motion.

4. Old Business –

- A. **Community Survey Project – Neighborhood Review** – (On hold for now.)
- B. **Aesthetic Overlay** - Third Street Possibilities (Meeting not scheduled due to COVID-19 considerations.) Ms. Yearick noted that South Middleton Township has a new ordinance on this subject.
- C. **Walk at Negley Park - Tree Removal Discussion** (per Shade Tree commission Recommendation) Mr. Leverentz, Ed Dix and Alizabeth Dively had surveyed whether removal of 14 trees would cause erosion in the park. They determined tree roots would hold the hillside and that there would probably be smaller shrubs/trees replanted in that area later. Concern was also expressed that the kudzu and mile-a-minute weed needed containment from climbing up the trees on the hillside. Since the Borough had received “Tree-vitalize grants” in the past, the question came up about consulting with them before removing the trees. No one was aware of any “claw-back” provisions in any of the grants.
- D. **Memorial Park Walk** – Committee members (Council members and interested parties are also invited) will be taking a similar walk/survey of Memorial Park at a time set up for/by staff TBD. (10:30 a.m.— Sept. 30!!)
- E. **Pavilion Update** – Ms. Foster has a CDBG meeting on 9/11 to get the paperwork signed and to get the construction started.
- F. **Funding Status for Parks Comprehensive Plan** –The Land Partnership folks will be reviewing all requests submitted. It was noted that the response from DCNR was supportive. Approval timeline is in Nov/Dec and if approved we will need to begin to look for consultants.
- G. **Little Free Libraries (LFL)** –Larry Means has generously constructed 3 LFL’s and Frederickson Library will stock them regularly. Sites for the LFL’s include Classic Dry Cleaners, near Herman and Third Streets (across from the church) and possibly near the Antique Marketplace. Another possibility is at New Hope Ministries.

5. New Business

- A. **Cow Statue Donation** – Mary Webber Weston and Tim Weston have kindly donated a “Cow Parade” Cow to the Borough for placement in Negley Park (location to be determined). After some discussion regarding a plaque to be placed on the base of the statue, Ms. Yenchko volunteered to suggest the wording for the Webber plaque as well as for the Verner statue donation from some years ago.
- B. **Compost Facility?** A discussion was begun on whether Lemoyne should pursue its own compost facility again. Location, need for volunteers, and question of whether we could partner with a neighboring municipality were debated. No conclusion was reached but this will continue to be explored.

6. **Other Business** – Upfront payment to the W.S. Rec. Board was discussed. The CD/P&R Committee recommends to Council that the January 1st payment be made by December 1st to help with ongoing need for revenue.

7. **Public Comment** - There was no additional comment.

8. **Next Meeting** – October 8, 2020 @ 6 PM (could be in the Community Room or still possibly by ZOOM. Stay tuned.)

9. **Adjournment** – The meeting adjourned on a Griva/Yenchko motion at 7:37PM.