

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

January 13, 2022

Borough Hall – Council Meeting Room

1. The meeting of the **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE** was called to order at 6:05 PM by Sue Yenchko, Chair. In attendance were Rebecca Coleman, Kasha Griva, Rebecca Yearick, Judy McAlister, Steve Dolbin, Andrea MacDonald, Janet Johnson, Cindy Foster, Mitch Damshek\*, Kelly Brugger\* and Jenn Erickson\* (\*on Zoom).
2. **Public Comment** – There was none.
3. **Minutes** of the November 11, 2021 meeting were approved unanimously following a Griva/Coleman motion.
4. **Old Business** –
  - A. **Comprehensive Recreation, Park and Open Space Plan Work Plan (CRPOS)** –The next meeting will be on January 25 @ 5PM on ZOOM. The study committee will review map connectivity, survey results, Key Person interviews, and Mission and vision statements. A website has been set up – lemoyneparks.com and the Parks Survey will continue to be on it and open for responses. The committee will regularly meet on the third Tuesday of the month going forward. Including electric charging stations for cars was suggested as something to also consider in/near our parks.

Next two items taken out of order:

- B. **Petroglyph Sculpture Proposal** (see B.New Business) (handout attached) – Steve Dolbin, a nationally known professor (and sculptor) from Shippensburg University presented a power-point on his work which 1) emphasizes environmental subjects, 2) creates monumental sculptures, 3) ties people in with sacred objects, and 4) uses petroglyphs found in the Susquehanna River Basin as art subjects. A work commissioned by Elsie Swenson in the 1990's which is 37' long, 12' high and 6' wide has been worked on since that time and is finished and looking for its permanent resting/display place. The subject is the Susquehanna River; the sculpture is constructed of 308 stainless steel and reflects many petroglyphs found in this river basin. Both Mrs. Swenson and the artist lived in Lemoyne in the past and perhaps either Negley or Memorial Park could potentially be a location for the sculpture. The piece would need an 8' X 45' space, a foundation 4' deep X 6' wide and need 2 footers that are 6'x3'x4' deep, one for each side of the sculpture to hold the 7-8000 lbs. It would cost approximately \$10,000 (+ or-) to transport and install it in Lemoyne. There are other organizations interested in having the sculpture. This could be a wonderful addition to Lemoyne. Funding would have to be raised to have this great piece here.
- C. **Susquehannock Dig Artifacts: On Loan?** (see A. New Business) (handout attached). Two representatives from the PA Historical and Museum Commission attended to inform us of the process to have some of the artifacts from the Memorial Park dig loaned to us for public (and secure) display in borough hall. Andrea MacDonald and Janet Johnson enumerated some necessary requirements: 1) secure location, 2) police and fire protection, 3) insurance (short-term liability) on artifacts, 4) temperature control, 5) interpretative explanations, etc. Ms. Johnson said there were certainly exhibit-worthy

artifacts...glass beads, projectile points, stone tools, etc. The PHMC could loan these items for a 2 year period (with possible 2-4 year extensions). We could also look into printing 3-D representations/models/replicas of the artifacts. We could reach out to indigenous people in the area for guidance on handling these artifacts. We would also explore some funding possibilities from Rep. Delozier. We will investigate further.

- D. Third Street Streetscape – No Update.** The question of participating in a lawsuit with Bridgeville was mentioned since the South Bridge is a candidate for tolling which can cause greatly increased traffic on Third Street. It would be up to Council to discuss further.
- E. Social Media, Borough Seal, Borough Materials – Discussion** Mrs. Coleman deferred a report until the next meeting.
- F. Signage (Parks, Wayfinding, Hours, etc.)** This subject was tabled due to time constraints.
- G. Review of Park Ordinances –** At the next meeting we will review sections 347-5 through 347-9. Due to time constraints, we will continue our review at the next meeting. Borough solicitor and police department will be asked to also review and make any comments to update the ordinance before the next meeting.

#### **5. New Business –**

**A. Petroglyph Sculpture Proposal –** Steve Dolbin (see report above)

**B. Susquehannock Dig Artifacts: On Loan?** - Andrea MacDonald (see report above)

**C. Flag Rugby Proposal – Lisa Kelly** (handout attached) Ms. Kelly was not able to attend the meeting but sent along a memo describing a girl's flag rugby organization which is seeking to expand into Lemoyne. Their goal is to get 100 girls to come out and play. Questions arose: What are the field dimensions? How is it marked? What are numbers of girls on teams? By age? Can the baseball field be used?

**6. Other Business?** Ms. Yearick mentioned the results of the public meeting in New Cumberland (60 people attended) about renovating the boat launch in N.C. and possibly connecting with Lemoyne on a hiking/biking trail along the old Indian path behind Memorial Park and elsewhere. This might be an opportunity to work cooperatively with our adjoining borough.

**7. Next Meeting - February 11, 2022 @ 6 PM**

**8. Adjournment –** The meeting adjourned on a Coleman/Griva motion at 8:02 PM.