

Elizabeth Township Park Board

Meeting Minutes for 01/05/2023

In attendance: Tom Moyer. Mike Landis, Rodney May, Lisa Rothermel, Steve Garman, Ron Stief and Ken Fillo.

Spencer Todd and Amos Lapp, Warwick Little League.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

Ken made a motion to retain the current slate of officers. All approved.

Mike made a motion to accept the minutes of the November meeting as written. Lisa 2nd. The motion passed.

Mr. Todd and Mr. Lapp presented plans for the “press box” for field #1. It would be 14 ft wide by 13’ 3” deep and 13””6” high. The window would have rollers doors, to be kept closed when not in use. It could be either a temporary structure or a permanent one with a concrete floor. They suggested using brown steel siding, or another color of the Supervisors choosing. It would have interior stairs and a solar/battery operated sound system to announce the games. No scoreboards. It is intended to be used to enhance the esteem of the players and to potentially attract tournaments. A second press box could be erected at field#2 in the future. This would also raise the question of ADA accessibility to field #2.

The Board had concerns about sponsor advertising due to the issues with the banner at the soccer fields, children climbing the fencing to get to the roof of the press box. Noise level of announcements such that it does not disturb the neighbors. Unauthorized use of the PA system. Whether any storm water management would be required? A reminder that it is a public park and that the Little League is not entitled to exclusive use of the fields. This arose due to a conflict in the past with the Amish community regarding Ascension day and Pentacost.

Timeline: Mr. Todd stated that they would like to start in March in order to have it usable for the opening of the season in April. The Board agreed in principle to the proposal, and suggested that due to their timeline that they contact the Township manager, regarding storm water and building code issues, and then make a formal presentation to the supervisors at their February meeting.

Pavilion Roof: Rodney presented an estimate for power blasting the underside of the roof, support arches and columns. \$2,535 using glass medium, \$3448 using corn cob/walnut shell. We forgot to discuss the cost to remove and replace the roll down curtains. It was suggested that we might need to rent a “billy goat” vacuum to pick up

residual overspray materials from the grass. The board is still struggling with what type of finish to use after the cleaning. Do we paint, stain, or install ventilated metal panels?

Rodney will contact the contractor about cleaning sample patches with the 2 types of medium.

Penn Elm Park: The supervisors are in favor of acquiring the park from the Penryn Fire company. Negotiations are on going with the heir. The parties involved are willing to consider a 10 - year lease agreement for the park.

Pickle Ball: The court has been upgraded with a new surface. We haven't seen lots of usage.

The Park clean-up was set for April 22 from 8 a.m. to Noon. It will mostly involve weeding and minimal refreshing of mulch.

There will be no Community yard sale this year.

Ray Kilgore (Kilgore Landscaping) has been trimming the trees in the park. The Supervisors will send him a thank you letter. The Board thanked Steve Garman, Rodney May, Glen Martin and Ken Fillo for their work in planting the 15 new trees.

Cracked Sewer tank covers: Rodney and Glenn will look at the situation to see what if any work might need to be done.

Tom suggested that we continue and or expand the music in the park. Rodney will talk to the Lions club as to whether they wish to continue the Series. One of the Musicians that played last year has offered to play again for free, due to the poor turnout due to rain.

Ken asked Rodney about the cost of mowing the big park. Rodney replied that it is \$275 per mowing.

Ron Stief reported that he has already started booking the pavilion with the 1st booking for July 15th.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, March 2.

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

These minutes were submitted by Ken Fillo, Recording secretary of the Park Board.