

**HOWARD TOWNSHIP PARK BOARD MEETING
PROPOSED MINUTES
November 11,2024**

Present: Debbie Floor, Jan Gordon, Teri Hable, Marcia Pedzinski

Absent: Erika Pickles

Gordon called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance. Roll call attendance was taken and the proposed minutes of the October 2024 regular meeting were presented, Hable made a motion to accept the minutes, Floor seconds, motion passed.

Treasurer's report: Gordon presented invoices for electric at all parks, trash at Pepper Martin, and miscellaneous supplies from Lowes. Motion made by Floor to accept the report as presented, seconded by Pedzinski, motion passed. Current expenditure report was distributed to members.

Old Business:

- Removing/replacing split rail fence around parking lot at Pepper Martin: this is tabled in order to further investigate options and determine best route
- Expanding designated parking area at Jones: table for discussion at future meetings
- Replacing floodlights in Pepper Martin parking lot: Floor will follow up with this
- Shut of and winterization of buildings at Pepper Martin has been completed by Roberts and an invoice has been submitted
- Removal of light poles at Pepper Martin: tabled/pending
- After further discussion, it was determined that annual agreements for disc golf would no longer be required from organizations using the course; the rules outlined in the contract will be shortened and pinned to the top of the Jones Park Disc Golf Facebook page for easy access and review
- Playground equipment: plans for replacing older slides at Pepper Martin and Kiddie Korral next spring, as well as a 4-seat swing at Pepper Martin in toddler area
- 5 year Master Plan – ongoing project; Hable is working on a draft to bring to the Board

New Business:

- Hatcherville directional sign at Reum and Carberry needs replacing. It was recommended we look at replacing the Sholtey sign as well, and suggested to look at the Pepper Martin sign at Almagus and Lone Elm. All park signs will be checked for wear and tear
- The Kubota mower is in the shop due to a recall of some parts; it is unknown what repairs will be needed, but an expense of over a thousand dollars is expected
- Leaves are coming down; the park supervisor is working with Simmons for removal
- December meeting is cancelled due to lack of a quorum

Park Supervisor's report: absent; no report

Township Park reports:

Hatcherville/Hable: debris on roofs, need to check into and remove

Jones/Gordon: recent video of car tearing up parking lot, car and driver were identified and contacted

Kiddie Korral/Pedzinski: the park is still being used regularly

Pepper Martin/Floor: nothing new to report

Sholtey/Pickles: absent; it has been noted there are car ruts by the pavilion

A motion to adjourn was made by Floor, seconded by Hable
The next scheduled meeting is Monday, January 6, 2025 @6p

Respectfully submitted
Marcia Pedzinski, secretary