

St. Clair Township – Volunteer Park Committee Meeting, December 13, 2017

Meeting called to order at 7:03pm

Present: Don Wallace, Brian Dulski

Minutes: Wallace moved to approve November minutes, Dulski second, motion passed

Updates:

- Trees delivered and installed at Loop Creek and Wolf Branch, mulched, and Tree Gator watering bags ordered.
- Stuckle to attend board meeting on Tuesday to present pavilion proposal and walking path. If approved, bids to go out after new year.
- As of 12-13-17, have \$132,548 in funds available and spent \$77,000 so far in FY17.
- Wallen family will donate \$500 for bench in Centennial in memory of Dean Wallen.

Grants:

- Ask Barnes to track man hours to apply to tree grant and saving copies of expenditures.

Loop Creek Park:

- Homeowner at north end of park has been maintaining a portion of Township property on the other side of the fence. Plans are to reclaim the land, but Barnes will talk to homeowner first to determine best way forward.

Centennial Park:

- State district forest ranger will come in January and will identify ash trees in Centennial at no cost.
- Consider removal/mitigation plan.
- Present plan to remove trees for nature play area in Centennial Park at January board meeting.
- Need to survey park to be eligible for MEPRD grants.
- Who maintains bike path? What size is right-of-way or easement? What is the maintenance agreement?
- Consider asking Swansea to sell the north side of the forest to the Township as a bargain sale so the property can be managed as a whole.
- Install warning sign at pond.

Good of the Committee:

- Will look to recruit two additional members of committee.
- Dulski to write up a job description for the position to share with interested party.

Adjournment:

- Wallace moved to adjourn, seconded by Dulski, Passed.
- Meeting Adjourned 7:40pm