

Franklin Township Pro Meeting

March 6, 2024

This is a brief summary of the Park, Recreation and Open Space meeting on Wednesday March 6, 2024 by zoom.

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by Chairman Roberts. In attendance were Mary Hanley, Kyle Bianco, Jennifer Albany, Heather Doss, Jeff Eastburn and Bob Macknis. Paul Overton and Board liaison Dave Gerstenhaber were absent. BOS member Dawn Dowling also attended. There were no members of the public. Eagle Scout Jacob Hennings attended to make a presentation.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Chairman Roberts, 2nd by board member Albany to approve the February 7, 2024 minutes. Approved 5-0.

Special Presentation

Jacob Hennings- Eagle Scout project bike repair station

Jacob presented a slide show for his bike repair station

Goal-install bike repair station in Crossan Park

Location- lowest left lot

Station- will installed on a concrete pad, with a structure with a roof to protect it, which will match either the pavilion or kiosk depending where it is placed.

There was much discussion on the placement because of vandalism.

lowest left of the lot

by the kiosk going into Franklin Preserve

upper area by the bathrooms/concession stand

Old business

U R Here Map

The colors of the trails have been added. 4 colors being used, some overlapping trails. More discussion is needed.

Goodwin

No update

Crossan Trails

Board member Overton met with some BOS on the realignment of the lower trail, and they were good with it after checking on some storm water management.

Board member Overton and some volunteers did some clearing of the Old Post trail and placing some boardwalks

Raised Beds

Board member Macknis is working on getting pricing, will arrange a time to meet about placement

New Business

Bluebird signs

Decided to go with 4 bird sign as there are wrens and swallows using the boxes.

Need to add QR code and a Do not disturb.

Avon Grove Library

The Avon Grove library is working on adding a Trail Program. They will provide backpacks with compasses and trail maps of various trails to borrow for people to explore the trails. More to come

Plant Divide

During the Easter Hunt on March 16, there will be a table with plants on it looking for new homes.

Shane Morgan

Shane is applying for a grant from National Fish and Wildlife to conduct a flood study of the White Clay watershed. He is looking for support from the area townships. More questions need to be answered before a decision can be made. Emails to follow.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:08