

West Vincent Township Parks and Recreation Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, January 8, 2025

**Parks & Recreation Commission: Advises on the maintenance, equipment and operation of the Township parks and other recreational facilities; also assists in the development of community programs and events; 7-member commission; five-year terms.**

In Attendance –Ken Alan, Jennifer Comunale, James Scaperotto, & Davey Waters  
Donna DeLany (EAC liaison) & Dave Weber (Zoning)  
BOS – Dana Alan

Call Meeting to Order at 1904

**General Discussion**

Approval of meeting minutes – December 4, 2024 Ken First, Davey Second

Correspondence: None

Budget 2025 – Budget approved as submitted

Discussion on Parks & Rec Committee members

- Bill Dietrich and Beth Miller no longer on the committee, leaving two vacancies of Chair and Secretary
- Appreciation expressed to all those who served in leadership roles in 2024, Bill, Beth and Scott.
- Jim agreed to be interim Chair, Ken Vice Chair and Jennifer Secretary thru March
- Motion made by Jennifer for Jim’s Chairmanship, Davey second
- Motion made by Jennifer for Ken’s Vice Chairmanship, Jim second
- Motion made by Jim for Jennifer to be Secretary, Ken second

**Events**

- Movie Night Dates confirmed as Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> for the young audience and Friday, August 29<sup>th</sup> for the teen audience.

⇒ ACTION: Next meeting, discuss movie options to help ensure order is placed timely.

- Bark Ranger discussion included whether or not the parks should have small receptacles for dog waste collection. At the next meeting, Davey plans to have the emblem and cards for review and feedback.

⇒ ACTION: Come to the next meeting prepared to discuss your point of view for placing receptacles at the Parks.

- Community Day of May 3, there has been progress in solidifying a vendor (Bucktown Grill) and a tent has been reserved. Ken acknowledged the need for a checklist of tasks and committed to providing before the next meeting. Request was made by Jim to have a special meeting to focus on Community Day. Davey mentioned 4H Ice Cream’s

willingness to participate but has a need for generators. Dana and Ken felt the generator's the township has would suffice.

Sheeder-Hall bridge is turning 175 years old this year. Consider coordinating this event into the Community day.

- Yoga in the Park has been progressed with Jim having solidified and instructor, Trinity Willows Yoga & Wellness and dates (5/10, 6/28, 7/12, 7/26, 8/9, 9/13, 9/27). Cost will be \$65 per event to the instructor. There will be a registration link where participants can sign up. A flyer will be distributed at the next meeting. Discussion occurred around conducting these sessions at Opalanie Park instead of Andrew Evans Park b/c of the potential conflict with sporting events.

⇒ ACTION: Need to verify insurance with Jim (township manager)

⇒ ACTION: Inform Public Works about the dates and location so they can make sure the lawn has been freshly mowed.

### **Trails**

Fellowship Trail – a bid was accepted. Discussion included a reminder that the trail map will need to be updated once complete.

- Awareness that on 1/27 the Trails Implementation Committee will be meeting for the first time, all are welcome to attend.

### **Parks**

Signs went up in all parks.

Wilson's Corner Park – There's been a request for a fishing line receptacle.

Andrew Evans Park has outdated billboards.

Cooks Glen

⇒ ACTION: Request for placement on February's agenda as Ken has ideas to share.

Opalanie – Discussion centered on improvements such as adding signs to make the park boundaries and smoothing the roadway in b/c there is a big ditch that would be damaging to smaller, lower cars. Additionally, Ken discussed engaging a muralist for the building. He has contacted the PA Council of Arts and Philadelphia Mural Arts Program and will report back. Ken will also be hosting a "Get to Know Your Park" hick on Sunday, March 30 from 9 – 11:30AM.

### **Misc. Discussion**

- EAC has their next meeting on 2/6, hoping to have a liaison attend from Parks and Recs, anyone wishing to be included in their communication should contact Donna.
- The area near Pughtown & Hollow Road has been getting cleared out, unknown as to why?
- Newsletter content – suggestion was to highlight a park each quarter.
- Next year is the nation's semiquincentennial.

- Adjourn @ 2049, Jim First, Jennifer Second.

