

**EAST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP  
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD  
May 25, 2016 Minutes**

East Bradford Township Parks and Recreation Board met on Wednesday, May 25, 2016 at 7:00 pm, in the East Bradford Township Building, 666 Copeland School Road, West Chester, Chester County, Pa., 19380.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Marianne Bausinger, Chair  
John Fidler

Michael Colley  
Joe Hamel

John Spangler  
Ash Swayne

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT - Tony Blanco**

**STAFF/PROFESSIONALS PRESENT**

Tenley Adams, Property & Recreation Assistant, P & R Liaison, Acting Secretary

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Gavin Linn, Eagle Scout Candidate

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The regular meeting of Parks and Recreation Board was called to order at 7:00 pm by Marianne Bausinger, Chairperson.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the March 23, 2016 minutes was motioned by Mr. Hamel and seconded by Mr. Fidler, with all in favor.

**EAGLE SCOUT PROPOSAL**

Eagle Scout candidate, Gavin Linn was present to discuss his proposed Eagle Scout project of a kiosk at Timber Top Trail. The current kiosk does not have a lockable case which is desired by the township. His proposal would include a lockable case (to be provided by the township) that will be mounted on to a wooden framework and have a roof over the top of it. Mr. Colley said that he has open bundles of shingles available that he could donate. The Parks & Recreation Board was in agreement that the proposed project met the requirements and that Mr. Linn should proceed with the planning of the project.

**NATURALIST GUIDED WALK** – The spring walk was held on Saturday May 15th at the Harmony Hill Nature area and was attended by 10 people. The P & R Board discussed the lack of participation and wondered if the fee associated with the registration could be a deterrent. Also the location was the same as the previous walk and that may have limited the attendance even though the topic was different. They feel that for 2017 the township should consider including money in the budget to offset the fee associated with the presentation and see if the attendance is higher.

**PARK RULES-** Mrs. Adams distributed copies of the revised park rules which had been reviewed by the Trails Committee. The P & R Board reviewed the rules and made the following suggestions: East Bradford Park, Copeland School Park, Jane I. Reed Park and Brandywine Trail should only allow pets to be leashed and under control at all times with a leash no longer than 6 feet. All other parks and open space should allow pets on a leash or under immediate control at all times and pet owner must have a leash available at all times. Once the dog park is open, Shaw's Bridge Park will change to all pets must be leashed and under control at all times with a leash no longer than 6 feet. Under the section about Disorderly conduct, "Personal sound amplification equipment is prohibited" should be change to "Sound amplification equipment is prohibited". Under the section on "Discharge of firearms is prohibited" allowance for a special

permit issued by the township should be included to allow for Boy Scout rocket launching and the possibility of township fireworks displays. Remove “golfing” as a prohibited use for the Brandywine Trail. The addition of “sleeping/camping is prohibited without a special permit” should be added to the Brandywine Trail rules. Mrs. Adams will make these modifications and distribute for review prior to the next meeting.

**VOLLEY BALL COURT, EAST BRADFORD PARK** – The Township had previously received a letter from a resident of Kenmara who along with several other residents play volleyball at the court in East Bradford Park requesting the fencing be moved as it was too close to the court. Mr. Fidler met at the site with Public Works Superintendent John Carroll to discuss this. Mr. Fidler said that the Public Works Department will schedule to move the fencing in the fall when things slow down and place the fence parallel to the walkway along the parking lot to keep the balls from going out into the parking area.

**PICKLEBALL CLINIC** – Ms. Bausinger reported that Mr. Blanco had held a pickleball clinic and it was attended by several people. He was happy with the turnout and will hold additional clinics throughout the year. Mr. Blanco did mention that some of the attendees had trouble finding the park as there is not a sign at the intersection of Copeland School Road and Kenmara Drive. A sign will be requested to be installed on top of the Kenmara Drive sign similar to the other signs located at the intersections within Kenmara.

**UPDATES:**

Ms. Bausinger updated the P & R Board on some of the ongoing items:

**CHAPEL TRAIL** – preparation work on the site is moving forward and it is anticipated that the bridge installation will take place in the late fall.

**PUMP TRACK** – No update

**BRANDYWINE FARM SOUTH / Dog Park** – The dog park continues to move forward at a slow pace. The new park rules will include the dog park rules so that it can move forward quickly once everything is completed.

**AED/FIRST AID INFO** – Ms. Bausinger reported that the township had been contacted by a company who does training for AED’s and first aid and also sells the units. It was suggested that other municipalities be contacted to see if they have AED’s at their parks and if any first aid items are available to the general public.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Mr. Colley mentioned that he has found with the help of the botanist that did the botanical survey of the township a rare fern that is seldom seen in this area – the netted chain fern.

Mrs. Adams asked if a kiosk could be put on the list for East Bradford Park as the park does not have a location to post important information. The P & R Board wondered if Mr. Linn (who attended the meeting earlier this evening) would be willing to change his Eagle Scout Project to East Bradford Park since Timber Top Trail already has a kiosk. Ms. Bausinger will speak with Ms. Cantlin about making the change.

Mrs. Adams mentioned that the Boy Scout 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration went well and they will be sending some pictures to the township to keep in the township records. Ms. Bausinger suggested that an article be included in the township newsletter as this is an interesting fact.

**PARK ASSIGNMENTS:**

Mr. Hamel reported that Shaw's Bridge Park is looking very nice this spring. He also said that Harry Waite Nature Area is in need of some trail clean up as the trails are getting overgrown.

**UPCOMING:**

TRAIL BLAZER RUN – is scheduled for June 16<sup>th</sup> and registration & volunteer sign up is open at [www.runtheday.com](http://www.runtheday.com). Mrs. Adams reported that sponsorships are doing very well and that she has also secured some gift cards to be used as door prizes at the race. Anyone interested in donating a gift card is welcome to do so.

**ADJOURN:**

On motion of Mr. Colley and second by Mr. Swayne, the meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

**NOTICE: THE NEXT MEETING FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD IS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 2016 AT 7:00 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Tenley F. Adams  
Acting Secretary

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