

Hambden Parks and Recreation Board
Regular Meeting
July 18, 2023

Hambden Parks and Recreation Board met in regular session on July 18, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in Hambden Township Hall. The following members were present: Joyce Edelinsky, Steve Marks, Jim Petkosek and Linda Petkosek. Also present was Trustee Pam Carson.

Minutes: Motion Jim Petkosek, second by Steve Marks to approve the June 6, 2023 minutes as presented. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Platform for Metal Slides – Mrs. Edelinsky spoke with Bob Smetana. Slides should be done by October. We reviewed the different fall areas available.

Dugout Mural/Design/Cost/Compensation – The mural looks good. There has been some delays due to the rain. Mrs. Edelinsky asked Mr. Marks to handle the acknowledgement ceremony at the township picnic.

Pavilion #4 Number signs – Numbers have been received. One for the bandstand was also ordered.

Pavilion Info Boxes – Still waiting for the boxes to be available from Amazon.

Pollinator Garden Signage – no information has been received on that to date. Once we know what the signage requirement will be an article will be done to acknowledge the garden.

Tot Swing Replacement – Tot swings are in and new chains have been purchased.

Veteran Memorial Pavers – all paver orders are complete and have been installed.

Park Board Member Vacancy – No one has expressed an interest in the Park Board vacancy. We will continue to look for someone.

Park Entrance Sign Foliage - new plants have been planted in front of the park entrance sign.

NEW BUSINESS

Park Budget – The Board had an in-depth discussion on the Park Board funds. Mrs. Petkosek reviewed the minutes that were online from 2020-2022. There were some expenditures and transfer of funds from the Park funds that we questioned. Mrs. Edelinsky stated that we have not received any financial reports on a regular basis for some time. Mrs. Carson will check with the fiscal officer regarding some of our concerns. The levy is up next year and we will have to come to some consensus on how we want to handle additional funds or not.

Park Portables - the township was charged for the damage to the port-o-let seat that was vandalized and damaged.

Pavilion Rental Fee – Mrs. Edelinsky shared a pavilion rental form from Munson as an example as how we may be able to raise money for the park. We will discuss further at the next meeting.

There being no further business to come before the board, motion by Mr. Marks, second by Mr. Petkosek to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. **Next meeting** will be scheduled for August 15, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Linda Petkosek, Secretary