Hambden Parks and Recreation Board Regular Meeting August 15, 2023

Hambden Parks and Recreation Board met in regular session on August 15, 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 Steve Marks, second by Jim Petkosek to approve the July 18, 2023 minutes as presented. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Platform for Metal Slides – No new information at this time.

Dugout Mural/Design/Cost/Compensation – The mural dedication went well. The mural will need to be sealed in a year.

Pavilion #3 & #4 Number signs – Numbers have been received and installed.

Pollinator Garden Signage – no information has been received on that to date.

Pavilion Info Boxes – the information boxes have been received. It was decided to wait until spring to install.

Park Board Member Vacancy – No one has expressed an interest in the Park Board vacancy

Pavilion Rental Fee – After further discussion the board decided that initiating a fee at this time would be difficult to deal with as far as the collection of fees and monitoring the usage of the pavilions.

Park Budget – the board continued their discussion on the Park budget. Pam had Mike generate reports for us showing the continuing cash balance. It was the consensus of the board to have a meeting with the trustees to understand their perspective on how they would like to see the park further develop.

NEW BUSINESS

Park Vegetation Spraying – The Park was sprayed with Roundup. It was a commercial grade, more organic and fewer chemicals. They felt the spraying was ok but reiterated it had to be kept 30 yards from the pollinator garden. We also discussed posting signs when a spraying has been done.

Veteran Paver/Picnic – we will have one paver order from the picnic. Linda will have done when we receive the paperwork.

Holden Community Tree Fund – The Holden Forest & Gardens Community Tree Fund has monies available to help with small tree plantings. We will need to apply within the next 6-8 weeks.

There being no further business to come before the board, motion by Mr. Petkosek, second by Mr. Marks to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. **Next meeting** will be scheduled for September 19, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Linda Petkosek, Secretary