

BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP PARK BOARD MINUTES
APRIL 17, 2013

Members Present: Marty Sfiligoj, Chairman; Henri Preuss, Vice Chairman; Hillary Henry; Dennis Martin; Linda Spiros; Clyde Whaley and Jim Stanek, Service Director

Guests: Mr. Jeff Markley, Bainbridge Township Trustee - Liaison to Park Board
Mr. Ted Seliga

Mr. Sfiligoj, Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall.

MINUTES

Mr. Martin made a motion to approve the meeting minutes dated March 13, 2013 as written.

Mr. Sfiligoj seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

CENTERVILLE MILLS PARK

Pavilion (Picnic Shelter)

The board discussed the pavilion at Centerville Mills Park and quotes received for a new roof, concrete flooring and drainage. Mr. Stanek will forward the quotes to the park board members. It was noted that a new roof could be installed without the concrete flooring.

Mr. Markley stated that the analysis was going to be for five structures and it will be relative to current use and the pavilion will not be evaluated.

The board discussed the number of rentals for the pavilion and the possible demolition of it but was in agreement to hold off on the demo for this year and if the pavilion is eventually demolished, large groups could rent a tent for their events.

Mr. Martin recommended tabling the discussion on the pavilion until the next meeting.

Nature Center

The board discussed the Nature Center that is still standing. Mr. Seliga commented that since the Log Cabin was removed, the Nature Center is interfering with the view of the lake and he would like the Nature Center included in the removal process and put picnic tables there instead and added that the building does not add to the perspective of the park. Mr. Sfiligoj commented that some people enjoy watching the sunset from the porch and if it is to be a passive park, picnic tables should not be added. Mr. Sfiligoj recommended tabling the discussion of the Nature Center until the next meeting.

Seabees

It was reported that Mr. Stanek and Mr. Mitchell met with Lt. Bob Hooven of the Seabees and their funding was cut for this year so they will be coming on a smaller scale this summer.

Scouts

Mr. Markley reported that he wanted to talk to the scout group leaders before sending the letters regarding the buildings not being available, but they will be going out soon.

Bridge and Stairway

Mr. Stanek reported that the stairs to the waterfall and bridge will be inspected but there is another bridge closer to the former swimming pool location that is in worse condition.

Workshop and Barns

Mr. Stanek gave a report on moving the workshop and re-doing the barns and it is an issue of cost so this will be put on hold for now.

PLAYGROUNDS

Mr. Preuss stated that the playground at Settlers Park needs to be replaced and a new one needs to be installed at Heritage Park. It was noted that the Park Board gave a recommendation on replacing the playground at Settlers Park at least a year ago. The board discussed maintenance, cost and liability. Mr. Martin suggested that the Men's Civic Club could possibly help with the installation of the new playground at Settlers Park.

The board discussed the proposed playground at Heritage Park and noted that the prior recommendation was to have an older looking metal structure versus one with colorful plastic and it should be for ages 3 – 7.

The playground at River Road Park was discussed and it is still in good condition.

Mr. Sfiligoj stated that the Park Board will stand by its original motion recommending replacing the playground at Settlers Park but with new updated quotes. It was noted that the new playground should retain its rustic look.

PARK BATHROOMS

Mr. Stanek gave an update on the bathrooms at Settlers and River Road Parks and that they will be open next week and there were no problems at Settlers Park last summer.

NEW BUSINESS

KCE/BALLFIELDS

It was reported that there was damage to one of the playing fields at River Road Park over the weekend by one of the teams that stayed on the field too long after it started raining.

The park board discussed who needs to be notified when something like this happens and was in agreement that there should be a better line of communication. Mr. Markley suggested that the KCE board reps for Bainbridge Township should start receiving agendas and minutes of the Park Board meetings.

CONCESSION STAND AT RIVER ROAD PARK

Mr. Stanek made a recommendation that the concession stand at River Road Park should be leased out because of the availability of sewer and water now.

COMMUNICATIONS

It was noted that the Website is being updated to include the Service Department and more details about the township parks.

MEETING LOCATIONS

The board was in agreement to hold the next meeting at Centerville Mills Park and to hold the June meeting at River Road Park.

Since there was no further business, Mr. Preuss made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Whaley seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda L. Zimmerman
Secretary to Park Board

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: May 15, 2013 – Centerville Mills Park