

SUMMIT TOWNSHIP RECREATION PLANNING COMMITTEE

MARCH 16, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kurt Rudolph, Chairman; Marilyn Waite, Todd Emmons, Township Board Liaison; and John Worden, Summit Township Zoning Administrator.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Natalie Stopyak, Planning Commission Liaison; Allan Hooper.

The meeting was called to order by K. Rudolph, Chairman, on Monday, March 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Hall meeting room at 2121 Ferguson Road.

A motion was made by M. Waite, supported by T. Emmons, to approve the Monday, November 17, 2008 minutes as written. The motion was carried unanimously.

K. Rudolph, Chairman, asked about the planned repairs to the paths in 2009 as discussed at the November 17, 2008 meeting.

J. Worden stated that the path on West High Street is on the list for repairs along with minor repairs on Probert Rd. He also suggested that the Jackson County Road Commission be contacted to see if the West High Street path could be widened and completely repaved to meet current standards with their participation in the funding at the new path percentage of 75%.

The Committee agreed that it would be worth looking into.

M. Waite asked about the condition of the path on Spring Arbor Rd. stating that there is apparent deterioration in areas of the path.

Both K. Rudolph and J. Worden stated that this is due to the sand and salt from the winters road plowing and the paths would be swept this spring. J. Worden anticipates the paths would be swept by the middle of April using the City of Jackson equipment as has been done in past years.

A suggestion was made that the next meeting be a working session for the purpose of suggesting projects to apply for in available grants. J. Worden suggested using all or part of the previous projects since much of the engineering estimates could be revised to reflect current costs and the ability to utilize agreed to easements for the paths.

K. Rudolph stated that he will not be available for the May 18, 2009 meeting and that he may call a special meeting for later in April for the working session.

J. Worden, at the suggestion of T. Emmons, reviewed with the Committee the proposed project on the west side of the Township involving the Jackson Drain Commissioner and Wal-Mart. John gave a brief history of the necessity for remediation of occasional flooding in the area and the desire by the parties involved to solve the problem and at the same time utilize the area proposed for retention as some type of training area for ecological purposes.

J. Worden informed the Committee that the Township Supervisor will be recommending to the Township Board on March 24, 2009 a replacement for Rick Tallman who resigned in January due to of his job and the addition of a seventh person to the Committee.

The meeting was adjourned by K. Rudolph, Chairman at 7:50 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: May 18, 2009

Respectfully submitted,
John Worden, Recording Secretary