

SUMMIT TOWNSHIP RECREATION PLANNING COMMITTEE

MARCH 17, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kurt Rudolph, Chairman; Natalie Stopyak, Planning Commission Liaison; Rick Wilson, Township Board Liaison; Allan Hooper, Marilyn Waite, Michael Tallman, and John Worden, Summit Township Zoning Administrator.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT:

The meeting was called to order by K. Rudolph, Chairman, on Monday, March 17, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Hall meeting room at 2121 Ferguson Road.

A motion was made by M. Waite, supported by N. Stopyak, to approve the November 19, 2007 minutes as written. The motion was carried unanimously.

Copies of the 2007-2012, adopted and approved Recreation Plan for Summit Township were distributed to the Committee Members by John Worden.

J. Worden asked the Committee Members for assistance in making recommendations to the Township Board for needed repairs to the various paths in the Township including necessary repairs to the Weatherwax Path. The Committee Members agreed to walk the following paths and make recommendations: 1) Spring Arbor Rd. from Lumen Christi to Polly's, 2) High St. from Warren Ave. to the Cascades Path, and 3) McDevitt from Myrlice Ct. to Old McDevitt. The findings will be given to Kurt Rudolph, Chairman, who will then create a report and make recommendations prior to the Township Board's May meeting. The Committee feels that repairs to existing paths are a priority before any new projects are considered.

There was discussion on future projects including a path from Ridgeway Rd. to Kibby Rd. using the Township's easement for the water system. This path would then connect to the Falling Waters Trail. Also discussed was a connection to the Trail off Purdy Lane using the Consumers Energy easement. J. Worden will check with R. Failing on the use of the Township easement and K. Rudolph will check on the Consumers easement. These connections would be developed as grant or other monies become available.

M. Waite discussed the possibility of promoting a County Ordinance requiring pet waste to be picked up by their owners on the various trails, paths, parks and other public property and she noted that the pet waste situation is already very prevalent along the Falling Waters Trail.

A motion was made by N. Stopyak, supported by M. Waite, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: May 19, 2008

Respectfully submitted,
John Worden, Recording Secretary