

Vassar Township Parks and Rec Minutes (draft)

May 4, 2017

Call to order 7:05 pm

Pledge of Allegiance led by acting Chairman Janice Zawol

Roll Call:

Member	Present	Absent	Excused
Sam Tester	x		
Bob Reil	x		
Janice Zawol(acting-chair)	x		
Tom Borcharding	x		
Fred Welsh (secretary)	x		
Don Clinesmith	x		
Russ Fall	x		

April 13, 2017 Minutes

Page 5 Mesquitoses/mosquitoes correction. Borcherdine change to Borcharding. Page 3 Russ Fall said 4601 in budget not \$4700. Replace swing safety area of x by x with 40' x 73'. Replace Port-a-jobs with Port-a-Johns. Tom Borcharding moved to accept the minutes with corrections. Sam Tester seconded the motion. Carried.

Budget Workshop

Park budget will be presented during the budget workshop. Don Clinesmith plans to attend all the meetings. Don will attend the May 18 meeting. Janice can attend June 5 at 6pm. There is a June 10, 9am meeting as an alternate date. Fred Welsh will attend the last meeting which is on June 24.

Park Sign

Current sign has mold on it. Janice Zawol said we could use Kilz with white paint to fix it. Russ Fall discussed trail arrow painting plans. Russ said the plywood is too hard to staple to. Russ would like Cork Board that would be easier to staple to. Russ suggested corkboard covered with plexiglass that was in a hinged door. Fred Welsh said he could make a door that would work.



Sand and Trucking

Tom Borcharding will take R & R Bill for sand to the Board of Trustees by the meeting next Tuesday.

Mosquito Abatement

Janice will call to set up schedule. Bob Reil said we can get four applications per season/year. Janice said Friday would be the best day. Russ Fall said we could do this once per month. Bob Reil suggested six weeks to protect the last holiday of the year.

New Business

Special Park Use Permit.

Sand Prep for Playground Area

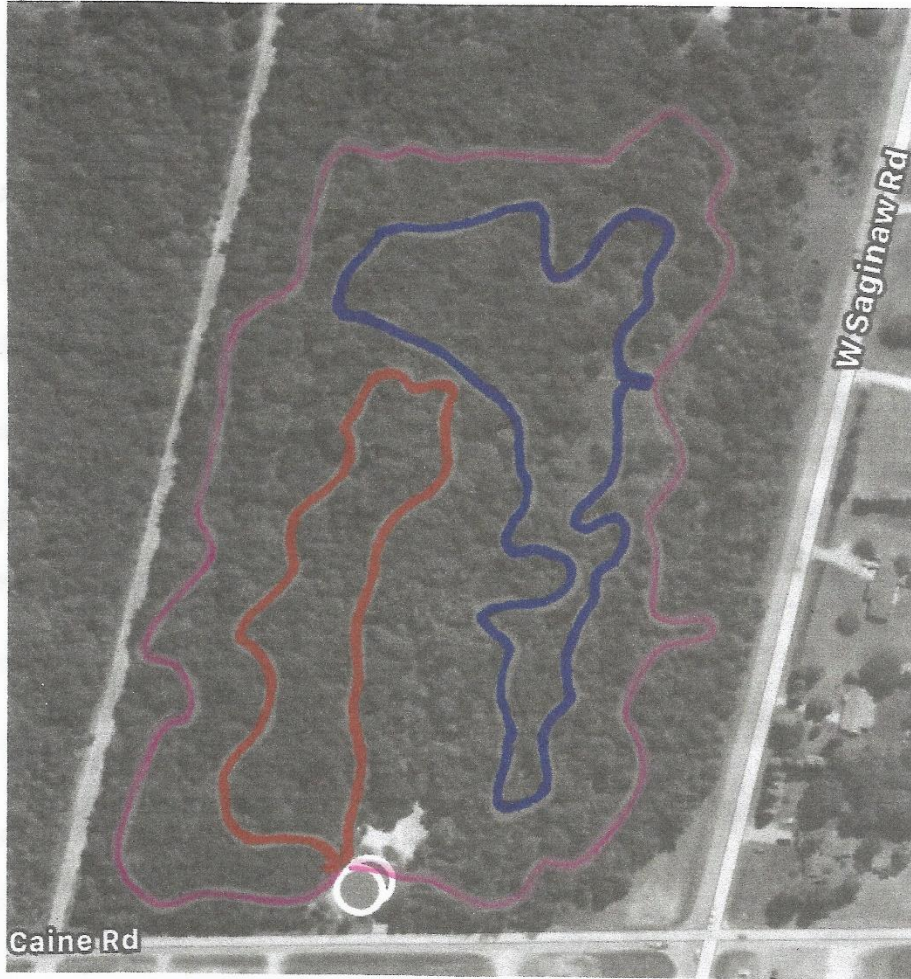
The East end of the swing set needs to be prepped properly. Two or three stumps need to be taken out. The Playground sand needs to be 12 inches deep. Russ Fall said all Parks and Rec members should review the stakes to make sure the slide and gym placement is acceptable.

Bob Reil said we would donate equipment to pull the stumps but we must provide the labor to do the cleanup. Bob will be at the Hall during Township Cleanup Days. Bob will donate the equipment but needs to be compensated for fuel.

Park Trails

4/27/2017

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A section of the perimeter trail (pink on this map) located in the upper left of this map is too wet. A wood walkway was discussed. A culvert was discussed to. Bob Reil felt a culvert was less maintenance. An alternate path on higher ground on the ridge was the final solution.

Available maps were discussed. Fred Welsh asked if the satellite view in the map on the left could be turned off to conserve ink.

Path Signs

Russ Fall described a need for 4/5 sign posts on the paths. Bob Reil offered galvanized posts for the use of the park. These are 3.5 x 2 inches. Bob volunteered to cut them to desired length. Treated wood attached by bolts would work. Russ said brown or green paint would add to the appearance. Fred Welsh leaving the posts galvanized.

Grill Install

Russ Fall has installed one grill using three bags of concreted. He is concerned about the height. Russ plans to make the second grill higher and possibly use four bags of concrete.



River Access on Caine Road

Russ asked if Park and Rec wants to be involved in work on the Cass River Access site on Caine Road. Work on the river access path there is needed. Fred Welsh said that Park and Rec Board should not take part in access maintenance as a part of the township. Individuals should be encouraged to do so.

Public Comment

Russ Fall gave a report on the cultural and economic impact of ecotourism on the community. Russ attended the conference referenced in last month's minutes. Russ Fall spoke on benefits to business. Sam Tester spoke about the disadvantages of economic development. Janice Zawol said that the Planning Commission would be a better place to deal with this.

Tom Borcharding moved to adjourn. Fred Welsh supported. Carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:54pm

Next Meeting June 1, 2017 at 7:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted

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