

**Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting**  
**February 14, 2024**  
**Regular Meeting**

**Members Present:** Teresa Adams, Grace Franks, Kat Metzger, Dave Steidler  
**Members Absent:** Sharon Blouch, Jessicka Jarvis, Christine Steidler  
**Public Present:** Charlie Dove

**Call to Order:** Chairman Dave Steidler called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

**Pledge and Prayer:** Pledge was led by David Steidler, prayer by Teresa Adams.

**Approval of minutes:**

**January 10, 2024** minutes were tabled until March P&R Regular Meeting, Kat Metzger was not present for January meeting therefore no quorum was available to approve the minutes for this meeting.

**Public Comment:** Charlie Dove asked what items were allowed to be placed in the burn pile as he noticed there were cinder blocks and a fuel oil tank which were covered by debris. Mr. Dove also inquired about the fallen tree on the walking trail, he said that it is stable as it is leaning against another tree but it does need removed as soon as the weather permits. Mr. Dove said the tree is snapped off at the base and the base looks to be approximately 10" in diameter. Mr. Dove also gave the Board his contact phone number for further assistance. Chairman Steidler said he would take the concern to Borough Council.

**Recreation Report:** No report given.

**Park Report:** Fallen tree on walking trail discussed in Public Comments. Waiting for dryer weather to remove the tree.

**Friends of the Park Report: Including Fund Raising Events and donations raised:** P&R Board member Kat Metzger reported there were no ornaments sold and event was unsuccessful. Board Member Grace Franks asked if the Friends of the Park organization had any members and if so who are they? Member Metzger said the following have met: herself, "D.J." Dave, Ashley Gottom, Sharon Blouch, Sharon who lives in Franklin Glen and Jason Metzger. Member Franks asked if the organization had regular meetings, P&R Board member Kat Metzger reported there are no regularly scheduled meetings but the goal is to meet at least one time each quarter of the year. P&R Board member Kat Metzger reported the last meeting was sometime over the summer of 2023.

**Funding Report: Grant money/Matches, Outside Donations:** New donation commitment letter was received from Chairman Steidler for work to be completed in the restrooms of the concession stand.

**Old Business:**

**DCNR Project Checklist** – Discussion ensued on the donation of the materials for the sidewalks, landing pad in front of the concession stand, parking area behind the concession stand and the landscaping.

**Committed donation follow up:** Vice-chairperson Jarvis was absent from the meeting no report was given.

**Review P&R Committee ordinance:** The ordinance review was tabled until P&R Regular April 2024 meeting.

**Report to Borough Council:** Secretary Adams said she recapped events/items from December 2023 and January 2024 regular meeting.

**Sling shot/archery course/range plans review;** there was nothing to review as Jennifer Miller was absent from the meeting Secretary Adams said she would try to make contact with Miss Miller to see when she could attend a meeting.

**New Business:**

**Public Awareness:** A discussion ensued pertaining to ideas on raising community awareness of the work being done by the P&R Board by creating an "Archie Hess Memorial Park Project" goal sign, the group discussed creating this

sign using left over plywood located in the garage/storage area of the concession stand at their March meeting. Discussion ensued about creating a newsletter to be circulated in the quarterly water, sewer, trash mailing, the newsletter would list the current members of the P&R Board along with current and future events held by the Board. In addition to the Board events reference could be made regarding events held by The Friends of the Park organization. Discussion ensued on the type of events the Board may want to hold once the current project is completed.

**Adjournment:**

**Motion was made by** Board Member Grace Franks.

**Second by** Secretary Teresa Adams

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Teresa M. Adams**

**P&R Committee Secretary**