

New Hope Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Monday, June 27, 2022

Meeting was called to order.

Roll call taken and minutes from May 23, 2022 were approved.

Attendees-Beth Hasher, Joanne Zuckerman, Bev Okulicz, Sally Weisman, Eileen O'Neil, Stephanie Nagy, Louise Feder

*Christina Szabo will present financial statements quarterly.

Old Business

1. Repairs to Lenape Park

Tom Carroll received an estimate of \$9,790.00 for repairs to the pond and water/electrical issues in the park. It has been determined that this is not a Parks and Recreation expense. Beth will find out from Christina regarding who is responsible for this cost.

We discussed getting estimates to trim the trees, mulch, and do some "clean up" of the park. This work would probably be done in the fall. We compiled a short list of companies to contact for estimates for completing this work.

2. Story Telling Event on the Green Roof

The following are dates that the community room is available in case of inclement weather: 9/14, 9/15, 9/22, 9/28, 9/29, and 10/5. Sally will touch base with Mikela to determine an available date for the story tellers.

Prior to the story telling event, the green roof needs to be refreshed and reburbished. Tom Carroll and the Public Works need to repair the stairs and rails. Also, the furniture must be be power washed and painted. The two large concrete containers also still must be be moved to the green roof. Once these items are completed, we will weed, clean up the beds and add plantings.

New Business

1. Visitor Center

We discussed the window racks at the Visitor Center. The racks are in need of cleaning out and filling with new plants. We will check on availability of a hose as watering seems to be an issue. Also, we are checking to see if we can access the racks from inside the building since some are difficult to reach from the outside without a ladder.

2. Fundraising

An idea of collecting cardboard boxes as a way to raise funds was presented. Collecting boxes from local businesses and individuals to be sold and recycled could raise money to be earmarked for a specific purpose in town. It was decided before we further pursue this idea, we would find 3-5 case studies of communities/organizations who have done this successfully. We are looking into this and other ideas with an environmental impact.

Meeting adjourned

Next meeting: Monday July 25, 2022