

# MINUTES OF THE PARK COMMITTEE

June 5, 2019

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The members present were Mike Guadagnino, Peter Kikot, Steve Saliani, Lee Haymon, Nancy Larkin, Sandra Coira and Councilman Robert Knapp, liaison.
2. Salute to the Flag and the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Mike read the meeting announcement:

*This meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, duly announced, advertised and posted in the municipal building.*

4. **Swords to Plow Share Discussion:** Peter reported his conclusions from the research that he conducted. He reported that there was no one location that he found clear guidance on so he combined research from several towns to get a comprehensive ordinance.  
Lee Haymon suggested that the park committee not vote on the artwork itself. He recommended that perhaps the Borough could establish an art committee to vote on which art is appropriate and then the Park Committee can recommend where the artwork will go within the park.  
It as proposed that the park committee can draft certain criteria for the artwork however the Committee agreed that another committee should approve the art itself and the park committee could determine where it can be located. There are certain areas within the park that the committee believes would be good locations for artwork.  
Mike made a motion to choose the location for the proposed artwork. Peter seconded the motion. The committee unanimously approved the location of the artwork. Peter Marcalus was the resident who proposed that the artwork be placed in the park. His email is Pamarcalus@gmail.com.
5. **Green Team plantings:** the green team planted several trees near the river and milkweed in the park.
6. **Work Session**

1. **Great lawn and Band shell:** John Yakimik is working on getting the bids and the information together to take the next step in obtaining and installing the band shell. The installation will cost approximately 110% the cost of the band shell.
  2. **Site Preparation Activities for the Dog Park:** The Dog Park Committee has marked certain trees over one foot in diameter for the Shade Tree Commission to inspect so that they will possibly be removed in the future. The park committee recommended that as to the tree removal, the dog park committee should wait until all of the funding is in place to replace the trees and to build the dog park. The dog park itself also still has to be officially approved by the Borough Council. Mike made a motion to move the boulders in the park to a flat area nearby but to hold off on the tree removal in the dog park area. Peter seconded the motion. The committee unanimously approved this plan.
  3. **Parking Lot:** the Borough is considering adding a portion of the plans to pave in the park to the annual paving for the Borough. Lee Haymon recommended that the Borough consider using a different material that is pervious. Peter agreed and recommended a type of stone that is pervious and compacts down well should be considered.
7. **Open to the public:** Erich Kamm asked if there are setbacks drawn and an overall plan for the park. Mike explained that there is a plan that we have been working off of for years and he could request that information from the Borough. Lee Haymon recommended that the committee obtain an updated map with setbacks for the park.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held July 9, 2019, in the Danny D'Elia building at 7:00 p.m.

