

Hamiltonban Township, Adams County, PA

## Recreation and Parks Commission (RPC)

### Minutes of the March 13, 2013 Meeting

**Attending:** David Jones, Commission Chairman; Kris Feldmeyer, Commission member; Alan Patterson, Commission member; Teresa Scripture, Commission member; Dean Thomas, Fairfield Borough Council Liaison; Coleen Reamer, minute recorder

**Public:** Chuck Reid, ED Strawberry Hill

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President David Jones.
2. **Agenda Approval:** The agenda was approved as presented. Alan motioned, Kris seconded, approved.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Patterson motioned and Commissioner Scripture seconded the approval of the minutes from January 9, 2013. The motion passed unanimously.
4. **Public Comment:** None
5. **Old Business:**
  - A. **Treasurer's Report:** None
  - B. **Official Map:** Adopted by the Board on February 5, 2013
  - C. **Review of the Meeting at Michaux:** The group discussed the access points from the discussion at the Michaux Office and how to maintain a low access to the property so it is not overused. Also discussed was further discussion on the connection between the two camps and the assistance that Neal (DCNR) will give in GPS mapping that connection. Also discussed was the Tapeworm Railroad Bed and how we can utilize portions of that bed within the trail system. Because of the enormous amount of owners that would be difficult, however, we have included it on the Official Map which makes it available to us if development occurs on any section. Chuck indicated that the connector trail that SH has always discussed is about the same distance as the trail proposed by DCNR. Hopefully they will be able to share that information. Roy Brubaker will revamp the trail map for our next meeting. We would like to "hone" in on the Public/Private Partnership aspect of this venture.

We felt that the next conversation should include all of the partners on the Jt. Comp that are connecting our communities together so that we can show this expanded plan to DCNR/ATC and PATC. Coleen will invite a council member from Carroll Valley to join this discussion next month if we are not involved with Park Design.
  - D. **Easter Egg Hunt:** None for 2013. The 2014 hunt will be discussed again in approximately (4) four months.
  - E. **Hamiltonban Park Assessment:** Coleen suggested that the commission list some items that they would like to see incorporated by KPI, Inc. into the park design. Those suggested were walking, pavilions, Interpretive panels, Trailhead, Horse shoe regulation pits, Adult Fitness stations. Kris suggested that if KPI does not do a survey, that perhaps we should include one in our summer Township Newsletter. Chuck talked about the need for playground equipment suitable for toddlers.

- F. **Middle Creek Trail Project:** Meeting with Mrs. Polly to be scheduled by Dean and Sally. We talked about the termination point of the Middle Creek Trail to Fairfield. Also, as an alternative trail into Fairfield we should look at the connection from Michaux to the Fairfield Station area or from the Luntz farm to Landis to Station (Miller Street) Road. Also talked about the sidewalk that was discussed from Liberty Worship Church to the Borough by the Township Board several years ago. Chuck and Kris feel that we could probably get DCNR to assist in the GPS of the trail once we can determine the next section's path.
- G. **Glatfelter Cabin Assessment:** Will be handled by ACOPD. Roy Brubaker will handle with Rob Thaeler. We talked about Snyder's Hollow and who could provide us with more information so we could present to Michaux a reason to designate the site as Historical.

**6. New Business:**

**Next Meeting agenda items:**

- A. It was suggested that if KPI is available for the next meeting to begin the planning process for the park that we will probably consume the meeting with that subject.
- B. Invite a Council member from Carroll Valley and a representative from the School Board to talk about a "Walkable Community".
- C. Update on conversation with Mrs. Polly and family.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.** Motion by Commissioner Feldmeyer, second by Commissioner Patterson, approved by unanimous vote.

Next Meeting Date: April 10, 2013

Respectfully submitted,

Coleen Reamer