

**EAST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP  
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD  
TRAILS COMMITTEE  
December 21, 2017 Minutes**

East Bradford Township Parks and Recreation Board and Trails Committee held a joint meeting on Thursday, December 21, 2017 at 12:00 p.m., in the East Bradford Township Building, 666 Copeland School Road, West Chester, Chester County, Pa., 19380.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Parks & Recreation Board: John Fidler, Vice Chair., Tony Blanco, Joe Hamel, John Spangler  
Trails Committee: John Spangler, Chair., Harry Hatzipavlidis, Vice Chair., Tony Blanco, Sheila Fleming, Joe Hamel, Bob Hawkes, Maria Kenny, Betsey Mehl, Josie Parman, Andy Schaum, Jim Wakefield

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Parks & Recreation Board: Marianne Bausinger, Chair., Michael Colley  
Trail Committee: Michael Colley, Jacob Singer

**STAFF/PROFESSIONALS PRESENT:**

Rich Phifer, Director of Property & Recreation  
Tenley Adams, Property & Recreation Assistant, Acting Secretary  
Mandie Cantlin, Assistant Manager

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Trevor Cantlin  
Marek Kazimierczyk, Eagle Scout Candidate

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The joint meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board and Trails Committee was called to order at 12:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the October 25, 2017 Parks & Recreation meeting was motioned by Mr. Fidler and seconded by Mr. Spangler, the motion passed unanimously.  
Approval of the minutes from the October 26, 2017 Trail Committee meeting was motioned by Ms. Parman and seconded by Mr. Schaum with one correction to the 1<sup>st</sup> item, remove the duplicate word, the motion passed unanimously.

**EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT PROPOSALS**

Mr. Marek Kazimierczyk, Eagle Scout Candidate, was present to talk with the group about his proposed Eagle Scout Project. Mr. Kazimierczyk suggested a Bike Maintenance Station with placement at the Brandywine Trail near the Harmony Hill Road parking area. The Maintenance Station would include tools commonly used by bikers and a manually powered air pump for inflating tires. All items would be secured so that they could not be removed. The area around the Maintenance Station would be improved with stone to help eliminate any muddy conditions.

After discussion it was suggested that the Maintenance Station be located at the Harmony Hill Nature Area parking lot, 1200 Skelp Level Road, as it would receive more use since the mountain bikers use the Nature Area and park at that location. Mr. Kazimierczyk said that he is self-funding the project. Mr. Spangler will be the liaison for the project. On motion of Mr. Spangler and seconded by Mr. Hamel, with all members in favor, the project was approved. Mr. Kazimierczyk will be forwarding all necessary paperwork to the Scout Council for approvals.

Mr. Phifer mentioned that he had been contact by another Eagle Scout Candidate who is proposing building a Gaga Pit at one of the parks. Most members of the Board & Committee were not familiar with what a Gaga Pit is and he explained that it is an octagon shaped enclosure/court roughly 3 feet high with variable surfacing (i.e. pavement, dirt) and that children play a game similar to dodge ball within the walls. Mr. Schaum mentioned that they have a "pit" at Paradise Farm Camps and it is well used by the campers. After discussion it was suggested that a possible location would be at East Bradford Elementary School; Mr. Phifer will contact the School District to see if they have any interest.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Valley Creek Road Bridge - Mr. Phifer stated that the Board of Supervisors has agreed to replace the Valley Creek Road Bridge and with engineering, bidding and construction it is estimated it will take approximately a year before it is reopened.

Rt. 322 Bridge Replacement – PennDOT is currently proceeding with engineering and bid specifications. It is anticipated that the bid process will commence in Spring of 2018. The replacement of the bridge will be south of the existing bridge and will allow for additional parking for Brandywine Trail users on the old road bed and the new bridge will allow for trail access under the bridge to the south side of Rt. 322.

Trail Blazer Run – The Run is scheduled for Saturday, June 16, 2018 starting at 4:00 p.m. and planning is currently underway. Anyone interested in volunteering to help should contact Mr. Phifer.

ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

NOTICE: THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD IS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2018 AT 7:00 P.M.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE TRAILS COMMITTEE IS SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2018 AT 12 NOON.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tenley F. Adams  
Acting Secretary