

**East Penn Township Parks Commission Meeting
2/28/24**

**2023 President Hal Resh opened the meeting at
7:00PM**

**In attendance – Hal Resh, Bill Schwab, Dennis
Pearson, James Berrios. Joe Hauser Absent. Victoria
Taschner-Secretary on family leave.**

**1. The Parks Commission reviewed the January 31,
2024 minutes of its last meeting. .. Motion Schwab
Second Berrios. to approve the Minutes AIF**

**2. As of January 31, 2024 there was \$1961.53 in the
Parks Commission account Motion Schwab Second
Berrios to approve the January Treasurer's Report.
AIF**

**3. The Parks Commission quickly discussed the
needs of the various named areas of our Park
System. –**

**Marvin Gardens - Hal Resh said the monuments at
Marvin Gardens need to be pressure washed to
remove black mold ... But don't need excessive high
pressure –Additionally there was a question whether
abandoned vehicles remain a problem at the sight.**

River View - Bill Schwab said that the Township Supervisors will discuss seeking a grant for the D & L provided grant for Trail signage. The Trail people will provide the signs, but we have to do the construction. Pearson noted that a study will be made on what the cost of doing the signalization construction ourselves without a grant would be.

Mountain View – Nothing

Hech Weir – Nothing

D & L Trail ---Daniel Smith said that he and a few volunteers spent about 8 hours cleaning our trails of snow

Golden Trail – Schwab repeated what was discussed the previous month – Waiting for the Township Solicitor for paperwork to allow the construction of a dirt road to allow the cheap construction of the Trail. The road won't be an emergency road. It could be used for general use.

4. Dump Truck – At the last meeting it was discussed that the Dump Truck that the Park was using had seen its days of usage. That a new dump was needed. Schwab said that the purchase of a new dump truck was not required because the Road Crew

will provide us with the use of one. But we won't have a Dump Truck immediately as repairs are being made on the one that would be provided.

5. Hal Resh said that the application for the St. Luke's Marathon to use a portion of the trails for their event has been approved. But he doesn't remember the date.

6. Approval of the Food Vendor will depend on additional information given such as where will the food truck be located and what days and hours will it operate. And what insurance protections does it have for its operation and our protection. --- Hal Resh believes that the food truck would have a menu of spicy Mexican food. .Approval delayed to a later date.

7. Dennis Pearson noted that a few items the past few months have been passed over and action needs to be taken tonight. One being the reorganization of the Commission and the other being the Salaries of the employees.

*** Hal Resh was re-elected as President of the Parks Commission . Hal Resh accepted the position . Joe was re-elected as Vice President, but the vote was conditional upon his approval. Joe Hauser was absent. Motion made by Schwab and Seconded by Berrios . AIF**

***Please Note – In January the Commission voted the time when our park crew would be brought officially back to begin work at the park and the days they would normally work, Extra days would be as needed But nothing was done officially to establish their salary. That was corrected this evening when Schwab made the motion and Berrios seconded the motion that the Parks employees will get the same raise as the Road crew did in their contract with the Township (Schwab believing that the raise was either 3% or 3.5%)**

9. Schwab noted that our Commission Secretary Victoria Taschner would return to work March 11, 2024

10. Adjournment of this meeting occurred at 7:38 PA ... Motion Schwab- Second Resh AIF.

11 . The Next meeting of the Parks Commission will be March 27, 2024 at 7:00 PM

Dennis Pearson – Secretary Pro Temp in absence of Victoria Taschner who was on family leave.