Ridgway Township Park and Recreation Board

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes Wednesday, August 30, 2023

The Ridgway Township Park and Recreation Board met on Wednesday August 30, 2023 at the Ridgway Township Municipal Building. **Present** were Michelle Bogacki, June Johnson, Marion Oknefski and Ralph Williams. **No guests.**

June opened the meeting at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Marion made a motion to approve the minutes from June 28, 2023, and with Ralph's second the motion carried.

Old Business:

Michelle tried to call Jordan to get an update on the t-shirts to see when we should order them, and to confirm the new logo image.

June made a motion to purchase the t-shirts once confirmed with Jordan, and with Michelle's second the motion carried.

Michelle presented the small scavenger hunt bag that is now placed in the little library.

No one had a report on the outcome of the Animal Haven "A Dogs Day at the Beach" event. Michelle heard it was a small attendance, but no volleyball or cornhole tournaments due to no one signing up with teams. The board feels that the dog show needs to be added to the event to help draw attention to the dog park.

Jordan has not gotten the cut-out characters to the park as of yet. We can wait to install them in the spring of 2024.

Michelle reported that Vic Moore will be creating the dog house for the dog park over the winter months. She also reported that three red sunset trees have been ordered and planted at the end of September.

New Business:

Michelle reported on the buckthorn work which the first phase or year one is done. The second application will be cutting and spraying.

Michelle reported that the Allegheny Hike Bike and Ski Association are doing some work on the bike trail. They have a saw blade to be used as the trail head sign. Michelle provided Ralph with some background on the Lumber Heritage Region grant application that she had submitted to LHR to be a part of their full grant application of \$125,000 from DCNR. The bike trail grant application ask is for \$30,000. No determination on being awarded for the grant and project have been made.

Some budget items discussed were sand for the beach area of the stream, two adult and two small Adirondack chairs at the little library, more wooden picnic tables, and a back blade for the tractor to help with the graveled parking lot areas.

Michelle reported that the Ridgway Recreation Association is planning a "Haunted Park" event on Friday October 13 and 14. They will be using the full park and all four pavilions. That will be the last summer activity in the park. Michelle mentioned that there can be some winter activities with the AHBSA which could groom a small trail for cross county skiing, if weather permits.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.	Next meeting is scheduled for April 2024.
Respectfully Submitted by Rec. Board Secretary, Michelle Bo	gacki