Parks and Recreation Commission City of Lambertville Meeting Minutes March 2022

- Call to Order
 - o 7:02pm pm Call to Order Mary Anne
 - Open & Public Meeting in accordance with the open & public meeting act
 - o Advertised in the Hunterdon County Democrat, The Trenton Times and on the city website
- Roll Call
 - o Present
 - Mary Anne Borge
 - Katie Deutsch
 - Cat Walker
 - Jim Troutman
 - Scott Connors
 - o Absent
 - Penny Marold
 - Missy Lide
 - Patricia Walker
- Motion to Approve Minutes
 - o January Minutes
 - Motion to approve Scott
 - 2nd Katie Deutsch
 - All in Favor
 - February Minutes
 - Motion to approve Katie
 - Jim 2nd
 - All in favor
- Old Business
 - o Parks & Rec Budget Waiting for approval
 - o Mary Sheridan Park Update
 - Ursula Mento Bench memorial in Mary Sheridan will be ordered
 - Later this year: Volunteer ground cover planting, bids for additional landscaping improvements

- o Ely Park
 - Lighting
 - Need three bids, have one from Mescal Electric Ilc.
 - Mary Anne will get two more bids
 - Gaga court flooring-waiting to hear results of budget request
- o Cherry Street
 - Clean up, fence repairs and seeding is done. looks great, community very grateful
 - Mary Anne submitted Sustainable Jersey grant application for planting Cherry street.
- o Cavallo
 - Potential vendor for the merry go round repair
 - Flag replaced
 - Need Electrician to repair lights for flag
- o Summer Camp
 - Brett Lelie hired as camp director
 - Registration will open in the next few days
- o Rfp for mowing and grounds maintenance
 - Company hired by the city for weeklyish mowing and spring mulching of playgrounds and beds at parks and city hall, contract from April 1 – early November
 - Mulching at parks to begin b/t April 1st and 15th
- o 2nd Saturdays: June, July, Aug
 - Music booked need to fill out park facilities use request
 - focused on food trucks
 - do we need a graphic for 2nd Saturdays
- April is Earth month; Parks & Rec, Lambertville goes Wild, LEC partnerships to do:
 - clean-up day April 2nd focus on the creeks: Swan, Ely & Alexauken; Jim's annual sports clean-up will also be that day
 - tree seedling give-away on April 16th 10-2pm at Cavallo pavilion – commission member to participate information table w/ summer camp & summer concert series materials – Cat volunteered to work table
 - Debra Lamer faculty advisor at South Hunterdon wants to plant trees with 5 students on music mountain April 30
 - Mary Anne motion to support the planting of 25 seedlings on music mountain

- scott 2nd
- all in favor
- donations for deer protection?
- o Gay 5k
 - Fundraiser for Parks & Rec
 - Date June 4th
 - Cat will work with Megan on this
- o Guided nature walks tabled till later in the season
- o History of parks for website no update
- Self-guided scavenger hunts to deputy clerk to put on website
 - Katie to put on face book too
- New Business
 - Request by Bike Lambertville (Steve Wolock) for 2 Bike repair stations & Information kiosk/bench
 - Locations: one at the concrete pad across from the former Liberty Hall Pizza at the Cherry St park and the other at the little pocket park in back of the Justice Center.

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- Mary Anne motion to approve bike repair stations & Information kiosk/bencheswith precise locations to be determined for the info kiosk/benches because of installation requirements
- Mary Anne will write Letter of support for the AARP grant to be submitted by Bike Lambertville
- Cat 2nd
- All in favor
- o Hybrid Meetings, OWL video
 - Cat motion to not go hybrid
 - Jim 2nd
 - All in favor
- Sourland Conservancy to work with us to plant 400-500 trees on Music Mountain
 - Parks & Rec to provide volunteers and deer protection
 - Mary Anne Motion to work with Sourland Conservancy to do tree planting on music mt
 - Jim 2nd
 - all in favor
- o Parks and Recreation new city email: recreation@lambertvillenj.org

- o grant opportunities for green infrastructure restoration projects that will help mitigate flooding:
 - Music Mountain Mayor Nowick applying for earmark federal monies for bioswale along Alexander and repair to canyons from street drainsClosson Property
 - Christina Pollock from Princeton Hydro offered to write on behalf of the City a NFWF grant application for ecological restoration work
 - Work would consist of landscaping primarily the south side of the property, right side of drive way, includingmeadow planting, invasive species removal, successional planting, flood plain enhancement
 - application is due March 31
 - o Mary Anne motion to provide letter of support
 - o Katie 2nd
 - o All in favor
- o County open space fund
 - 10% of the county open space portion of our property taxes goes to our municipal open space fund
 - Funds can be used for capital improvements to municipal open space properties and to acquire new property
 - Request to use the funds must be approved by the county.
 - Lambertville balance is over \$161,000
 - We need to find out our annual contribution to this fund
- Park Use Facility Requests
 - Mary Sheridan Park, June 2, 2022, 9am-6pm Chelsea Reid & Andrew Rdesinski, for a wedding
 - Katie motion to approve request
 - Scott 2nd
 - All in favor
 - Cavallo Park Pavillion, April 16, 2022, 9am -3pm, Tree Seedling Giveaway, Parks & Rec, Lambertville Goes Wild, LEC
 - Scott motion to approve
 - Katie 2nd
 - All in favor
 - Ely Park Playground, basketball court, pavilion, May 6, 2022, 4:30 9pm, Spring Dance with DJ, Stephanie Volmer for LPS PTA
 - Mary Anne will notify PTA that ball games may be scheduled for same time

- Mary Anne motion to approve
- Cat 2nd
- All in Favor
- Ely Park Playground, basketball court, pavilion, May 18, 2022, 5-8pm, Family Literacy Night, Stephanie Volmer for LPS PTA, SHRSD staff, West Amwell PTO
 - Scott motion to approve
 - Jim 2nd
 - All in favor
- o New calendar program coming soon for city
- o Mary Anne Motion to adjourn 8:38pm
 - Jim 2nd
 - All in favor

Commented [JW1]: I think this was from February.