Huntingdon Borough Parks, Recreation & Public Property Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 4, 2024

The Huntingdon Borough Parks, Recreation & Public Property Committee meeting was held in the Borough Conference Room, 530 Washington Street, Huntingdon, PA 16652.

Guest present was Joseph Thompson.

Members present were President James Bair, Vice-President David Fortson, Councilman Robert Jackson, Councilwoman DeeDee Brown, Councilman Terry Green, Councilwoman Jennifer Powell, Mayor Thomas Yoder, Chief of Police Charles Streightiff, and Borough Secretary Richard King.

Chairman David Fortson called the Parks, Recreation & Public Property Committee meeting to order at 5:01 PM.

Chairman David Fortson recognized the guest present and asked for his comments.

There were no comments made.

Chairman David Fortson called on the mayor’s report.

Thomas Yoder said he had nothing to report.

Chairman David Fortson called on old business.

Councilwoman Jennifer Powell said that we need to spend money on the skate park, to get portable equipment. Jennifer said that we can get something from $4,000 to around $7,000.

Chairman David Fortson said that we can also look for grants.

Chairman David Fortson said that the swings in Weaver and Portstown Park are falling apart, and we have money in the account that we need to get new swing sets.

Chairman David Fortson said that Maintenance was to take the swing sets down.

Chairman David Fortson said that he wants to hold off on the pickleball court until we get things fixed.

Chairman David Fortson said the men’s bathroom at Portstown Park needs something done, that it is nasty in there. David said it needs to be closed immediately.

Councilman Terry Green said the lights need fixed.

Chairman David Fortson said that we need to tell Travis Gutshall to put lights in there and to fix the toilets.

Chief Streightiff said the bathrooms are locked at night, that we can place cameras but not inside. Chief also said that we can put in self contained light that are motion detected.

Chairman David Fortson said that he wants the bathrooms closed and port-a-potties brought in.

Councilman Robert Jackson said that if this is not a priority, then we will be paying for port-a potties for six months.

Chairman David Fortson said this is a priority.

Councilman Terry Green said that we need to get Travis Gutshall to send someone to fix the urinal and get the lights in.

Councilwoman Jennifer Powell asked about the contract with Juniata College on Weaver Park.

Mayor Thomas Yoder said he knows that Chris Stevens had received an email on this.

After no further business, the Parks, Recreation & Public Property Committee meeting was adjourned at 5:26 PM.

Minutes submitted by,

Richard S. King
Borough Secretary