

**HOWARD TOWNSHIP PARK BOARD MEETING**  
**PROPOSED MINUTES**  
**August 24, 2020**

**Present:** Don Cross, Debbie Floor, Jan Gordon, Marcia Pedzinski, Erika Pickles

Gordon called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance. Gordon welcomed newly appointed member Debbie Floor to the Board. Roll call attendance was taken and the proposed minutes of the July 2020 regular meeting were presented, Pickles made a motion to accept the minutes, Cross seconds, motion passed.

**Treasurer's report:** Invoices for this month included timecards, fuel, electric for all parks, trash, Joy Johns, steel drums to replace worn trash barrels, and miscellaneous supplies. There was some discussion regarding the higher bill for Pepper Martin and it was reported that the sprinklers were being used more on all the diamonds recently. Cross makes a motion to accept the treasurer report, Floor seconds, motion passed.

**Correspondence:** none at this time

**Old Business:**

- Resurfacing at Jones and Hatcherville; confirmation of LQC grant in the amount of \$5000; following discussion of the two estimates received, Cross made a motion to accept the bid of \$35,100 from Walt's Paving to complete resurfacing at both locations. The motion was seconded by Pickles and a roll call vote was taken with all in favor, motion passed. Floor will make contact with contractor to schedule and proceed.
- Cross has been unable to make contact regarding getting a dawn-to-dusk light near the pavilion at Hatcherville; table until next meeting.
- Cement pads under bleachers at Pepper Martin continue to be on hold; working with HTBL to get this done
- "Wish list" for 2021 upgrades and equipment is tabled until next meeting
- There was discussion regarding unauthorized use of ball diamonds at Pepper Martin by 2 different leagues/organizations; have asked multiple times to meet with representatives to ensure contract and liability insurance is in place per park policy and have received less than favorable responses; Pickles will follow-up with this
- HTBL: unknown at this time whether there is a fall season scheduled

**New Business:**

- A tree had fallen at Sholtey during recent storm; communication between Board members occurred as estimates for removal were received from Watson's and Kachur; the bid from Watson's was accepted and the tree was taken care of promptly. Township supervisor Kasprzak is working with the Maintenance Supervisor to ensure the roof of the affected building will be repaired if needed.
- Following a vehicle crashing through the split rail fencing at Pepper Martin, the park supervisor was able to get repairs completed
- Pedzinski will update Board member contact information and have available by next meeting

**Park Supervisor's report:**

Upkeep/painting is continued at Kiddie Korral; working with Township office regarding plumbing issues at the Pepper Martin pavilion restrooms.

**Township Park reports:**

***Hatcherville/Cross:*** have received good reports of the road covering provided at the end of Moulder Drive entering Hatcherville Park; was suggested to ask contractor to use roller on road while resurfacing basketball court, in order to prepare for winter snow removal

***Jones/Gordon:*** nothing new to report at this time

***Kiddie Korral/Pedzinski:*** new paint on the equipment makes a world of difference in appearance, great job!

*Pepper Martin:* nothing new to report at this time

*Sholtey/Pickles:* has requested quote from Watson's to take care of dead tree near rear of the park

**Public comments:** None

A motion to adjourn was made by Cross, seconded by Pickles

The next scheduled meeting is Monday, September 14, 2020 @ 6:00pm.

Respectfully submitted

Marcia Pedzinski, secretary