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BIRMINGHAM TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY RECREATION, PARKS AND OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE (RPOS)

September 18, 2023

Chairman Chuck Feld called the meeting of Recreation, Parks and Open Space to order at 7:01 PM in the Birmingham Township Building. A quorum was declared.

The following were in attendance:

Chuck Feld	Chairman, RPOS Committee
Brian Bonkoski	Vice-Chairman, RPOS Committee
Doreen O'Neill	Member, RPOS Committee
Stan Benarick	Member, RPOS Committee
Dan Hill	Member, Board of Supervisors
Melissa Urbany	Secretary, RPOS Committee

Not in attendance:

Bob Socash	Member, RPOS Committee
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Bonkoski motioned to approve last month's minutes. Ms. O'Neill seconded. The August 21, 2023 RPOS minutes were unanimously approved.

Review Bills

There were no bills to review at tonight's meeting.

RPOS Budget 2024 Due Sept. 30

RPOS members discussed the proposed budget for 2024. There are no new benches or flags needed for next year. Birmingham Hill is running slightly higher in mowing as extra string trimming has recently been added. Mr. Feld also raised the budget for tree maintenance and rails. Ms. O'Neill motioned to approve the new budget for 2024. Mr. Bonkoski seconded; all in favor.

Birmingham Hill Update

Flags 9/11 Thanks Brian

Mr. Bonkoski asked the group's opinion on whether he should place flags up for Veterans day as it hasn't been done in the past. The group agreed that it's a good idea.

Replace Post and Rails

There are a few broken posts that need to be fixed. Ms. Worth replaced several rails down in the woods recently. Mr. Feld stated the easement does not address who is responsible for maintaining the fence down at the bottom of the hill. Mr. Hill said the Township has always taken responsibility for it. The group agreed to have a work day on October 15th at 8:00 AM at Birmingham Hill.

Sandy Hollow Update

Mr. Bonkoski mentioned he saw a tree growing almost into a bench at the bottom of Sandy Hollow. Mr. Feld said he'd ask Brian Matuszewski to trim it back.

Cannon

Mr. Feld brought in photos of the cannon which is currently in need of maintenance. The paint is chipping and will require sanding, filling and repainting. The group plans on fixing it on October 15th.

For future reference, the color of the cannon is Benjamin Moore Silver Spring which can be purchased at Ace. "Birmingham Hill cannon color, Benjamin Moore, Silver Spring"

New Business

There was no new business at tonight's meeting.

The next RPOS meeting is scheduled for October 16, 2023.

Mr. Bonkoski motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ms. O'Neill seconded; all in favor. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Urbany
RPOS Secretary