

**Eldred Township  
Parks and Recreation Committee**

**September 14, 2021**

**MINUTES**

**Call to Order:** 7:02 pm Mary Anne

**Public Comment:** One person from the Public Attending. Blaine Silfies had significant contributions on various topics in the agenda.

**Attendance:** Mary Anne, JoAnn, Joyce, Diana, Joe, Annette

**Approval of the Minutes:** Minutes amended in section VII.4, Committee approved minutes with amendment

**Mock Park:** Date for Trail Maintenance

**Potential Grants:**

**Master Plan:**

Committee decided to watch the DCNR Webinar on Nov. 4

[https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?search=grants&event\\_types%5B%5D=43174](https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?search=grants&event_types%5B%5D=43174)

together at the Municipal Bldg.

**New Public Space at Stone Arch Bridge: Landscape Plan:**

The Committee is moving forward to get multiple Landscape plans from multiple sources even if we have to pay a few hundred dollars to get them. Diana is checking the Master Gardener Program at Penn State, to see what they can offer. Joyce is checking with Delaware Valley College, Annette is checking with some local landscapers, and JoAnn is checking with Chestnut Hill Nursery Landscaping division. Reaching out to Northampton CC? We are currently in talks with Vo-Tec. Blaine has a contact and will see if he can facilitate things with them.

We added some possible elements to our wish list. Full List as follows:

**1. General Style/theme**

- a. English cottage garden

**2. Things that Must Be Included**

- a. Easy maintenance
- b. Background for photos
- c. Year-round interest
- d. Split rail fencing to divide the green from the adjoining property, the parking area, and the road
- e. ADA accessible (where possible) Paths to the picnic table, bridge, and other points of interest.
- f. Shade trees
- g. Signage structure: for notices, rules and possibly a site map and or Information about the history of Kunkletown (Historical info was mentioned in a side conversation at an earlier meeting)
- h. Electric Lamps to provide light at dusk or after dark

**3. Types of things that might be included:**

- i. Bridges\*
- ii. benches
- iii. natural stone
- iv. stone
- v. brick or gravel paving
- vi. cast iron benches
- vii. gazebos\*
- viii. birdhouses
- ix. sundials
- x. Fountain\*
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4. An Asterisk denotes things that should be shown as a possibility (one plan with and one without each)

**NOTE:** Last page is the full list in a one page for printing it out, without needing to print the minutes, as a whole.

**Mock Park -Report:** re: potential locations for additional trails - Joe will create a map via GPS of the Mock Park Trails.

**Revisions to Committee Policy:** Discussion and Recommendations (Deferred)

**Other:**

1. Diana Resigned as Secretary and proposed we rotate the role. Voted on and approved.
2. Discussed Farmers potential role in field trail and discussed alternatives.

3. Committee Scheduled a walk to explore the Property next to the Buckwha River.

**Adjournment:** Move to Adjourn the meeting by Joe, seconded by Joyce.

## **A. Criteria for Landscape Plans – Discussion and Recommendations**

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