

Glen Arbor Township
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Park Board Meeting
September 16, 2021

Present: Calsbeek, McIlvried, Schanhals and township representative, Pam Laureto

Chair Schanhals called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm

The agenda was reviewed and modified to include pickleball tournament.

Public Comment – none

Budget Review

Laureto provided an updated revenue and expense report and details on all financial transactions for the fiscal year. The board is living within its budget.

Concerns were expressed about the condition of the grass in the park. Weeds and bare spots will need to be addressed. Damage is being done by ants on the court surfaces and in the lawn. Laureto will contact Lawn King about spraying and weed treatment. Overseeding of the lawns will take place this fall.

The township board meets on Sept. 21. Schanhals will attend to advocate the expenditure of funds to employ Gosling Czubak for the purpose of exploring maximum use of park spaces. There is a need for additional pickleball courts so the board wants to know if the existing drain field can be modified to make that possible.

The position of Park Manager was discussed. Our situation would be much improved if we could employ an experienced maintenance person who has the ability to see problems at the park and either correct them or arrange for their repair. Schanhals will talk to Bob Ihme to see if he might be willing to contract for such service.

Old Business

New signs for the pickle and tennis courts were discussed and approved. McIlvried will meet with the sign maker, secure an estimate, and forward to Laureto for a purchase order.

Schanhals reported that replacement of the dead tree near the pickleball courts will be handled by Flaska Landscape Company.

The sprinkler cover in the drain field has not yet been repaired. Laureto will remind A-1 Services.

Vines and foliage on the north end of tennis courts 3 and 4 will be dealt with when courts are rebuilt and fences are replaced.

New score posts and ball trays will be ordered for the tennis courts.

The staining of the pavilion will not happen until spring due to worker availability.

No new bike racks will be ordered at this time.

Painting of the basketball surface will be built into next year's budget.

Board membership was discussed. One person who had expressed interest has now backed out. No other official applicants have been received.

New Business

The Five-Year Plan – Schanhals said that he now has the software used to create the plan that the board never adopted. He is willing to edit the plan to make sure it is accurate. Laureto explained that the plan was not adopted by the township board because it included a major land purchase that the board was not willing to approve.

A pickle ball tournament will be held on Oct. 11, 2021. Schanhals will send out the list of tasks and procedures that must be accomplished in preparation for the tournament. Board members will be expected to sign up for various responsibilities.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 pm

Ron Calsbeek, Secretary