

Aquetong Spring Park Advisory Committee

July 26, 2021 – 7:00 PM

**MINUTES**

I. Call to Order

- a. Barry Fetterolf called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM.
- b. The following persons were in attendance: Barry Fetterolf, John Francis, Darcy Fair, ~~Nancy Stock-Allen~~, Michael Zolkewitz, and Dudley Rice. Guests included Barbara Zietchick of the Parks and Recreation Committee, Patty Bacon of Deer Park of Pennsylvania

II. Approval of the Minutes

MOTION: Michael Z. made a motion to approve the April 19, 2021 and May 24, 2021 minutes. The motion was seconded by Barry F. and carried.

III. Old Business

- a. "Nature & Heritage Preserve" name was approved and the sign delivered. The name "Bond" House was designated instead of "Judy."
- b. Reminder to Committee members to continue to gather information suggestions / outlines that would be used for interpretive signs.

IV. New Business

- a. Outdoor classroom proposal-- Brief discussion of its location at the circular patio near the northwest side of the house. A masonry "sitting wall" would be desirable.
- b. Proper designation of Kate Smith house/ruin will be "Mill Ruin."

V. Individual Updates/Reports

- a. Barry Fetterolf: trout program proposal. Barry F. provided a document, *Ideas for lower creek and education*, including getting an assessment for whether the creek can accommodate fishing. The education component will apply to teaching fly fishing to youth. No general fishing allowed. Barry F. will research and bring back a report regarding a feasibility overview for educational events.
- b. Michael Zolkewitz: Land Management and Cold-Water Habitat Mike Z. reported talking with Mr. Carney and that there will be new wetlands designations, some just emerging that are not currently delineated, and that a re-evaluation will occur after construction is completed.
- c. Darcy Fair: Community Outreach: October 17? -- Differentiation in the focus between an official opening scheduled for September 17, 10:00 am, and a more general celebration to be called "A Walk in the Park" were clarified. Various components of the logistics for the latter were discussed, including parking, tables, etc. Darcy F. will develop a plan to bring back for budget considerations.
- d. Nancy Stock-Allen:
  - i. Park Map review-- The Committee reviewed the 11" X 17" color map, *Aquetong Spring Park Trails and Features* Nancy S. had prepared. Very positive responses to the work done were

made. The trail names were reviewed and approved. A correction should be made: "Ingham" instead of "Logan." A compass orientation should be added.

- ii. Trail markers
  - iii. Request to members to test signs in August
- e. John Francis:
- i. Construction progress report
  - ii. Rain garden design-- under contract, to be seeded with a native wildflower mix and Dennis C. will develop plans for further plantings. The need for that to be native plants was emphasized.
  - iii. Supervisor liaison

VI. Future Meetings / Site Visit the next meeting should be August 30 at 7:00 pm and should be a Zoom meeting so that there can be a quorum even though members will be out of town.

VII. Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Darcy F. at 8:33 pm, seconded by Mike Z.