

Oxford Area Recreation Authority
Minutes of Meeting of Thurs., Sept. 19, 2019
Lower Oxford Township Building

Meeting called to order at 6:45 by Chairman Chip Benke

Members present – Arthur Astle, Chip Benke, Candace Miller, Scott Fetterolf, Marcella Peyre-Ferry, John Reynolds.

Visitors: Steve Hoffman, (member for Lower Oxford pending notification of township appointment).

Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Agenda: Motion (by Miller, second Reynolds) to approve the agenda, Approved (6-0).

Minutes: Motion (by Miller, second Reynolds) to approve the Minutes of the August Meeting as amended. Approved (6-0).

Public Comment : none

Scheduled Visitors: none

Peyre-Ferry has been contacted by a girl scout hoping to install a butterfly garden as a gold project.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Candace Miller provided reports. Bills since the last meeting total \$7,710.67. – Lander Septic (Aug. & Sept.) \$770; Cameron's Hardware \$146.43; Dunn Lawn Care \$5,975.00; MRT & Assc. (tent rental) \$500; Rhoads Energy \$14.52; Kevin Peyre-Ferry Grounds maintenance \$264.24; Candace Miller (treasurer) \$55.00.

Motion (by Astle, second Reynolds) to pay the bills Approved (4-0-2, Miller and Peyre-Ferry abstain).

Miller suggested moving accounts to a new bank to avoid fees: **Motion (by Astle, second Peyre-Ferry) authorizing Miller to do so, Approved (6-0).**

Budget for 2020, has been sent to the municipalities. Lower Oxfords suggests permanent bathrooms rather than portapots to save money.

Motion (by Fetterolf second Peyre-Ferry) to accept the Treasurer's report Approved (6-0)

Grants Committee: A PECO grant is open for applications. Benke will get information on project costs for Peyre-Ferry to prepare an application.

Miller advised that a PA Small Water grant could be available for bathrooms. She will get more information.

Web Committee About 100 online surveys have been done.

Property Committee: Motion (by Peyre-Ferry, second Miller) to ratify acceptance of the bid from Beir Electric for electric service at the baseball field, Approved (6-0).

Project Committee: Book trail – no new information

Bricks – installation is complete and looks very nice

Switch Back Repair – completed

Scout Project Bridge – ready to be sealed, millings were put in today.

Events Committee: Community Yard Sale was cancelled due to lack of participants

Halloween Event – preparations are underway. Sponsorships are being received.

Pitch Hit Run – change of location may be sought by Oxford Little League. More information is needed.

Feasibility Committee: no report

Policy Committee: no report

Chairman's Report: none

Secretary's Report: Peyre-Ferry gave out copies of the audit report

Motion (by Miller, second Astle) to approve all reports, Approved (6-0).

Old Business: Authority documents, nothing new

Funding Alternatives, nothing new

New Business: none

Discussion Items: Continuation of walking trails, from top of hill to switchback is about 1,000 ft. at 4' wide cost would be about \$11,000. : **Motion (by Reynolds, second Peyre-Ferry) to authorize Benke to discuss the project and funding with East Nottingham Township Supervisors, Approved (6-0).**

Including charities with OARA events was discussed

Boy Scout use of the pavilion was discussed. They would like to use it in the evening while the boy scout cabin is unavailable.

Dog Park Projects, Benke's daughter would like suggestions for a graduation project. Miller suggested a puppy class.

Correspondence: Authority magazine.

Executive Session: none

Adjourn: at 9:40 p.m. Motion (by Reynolds, second Miller), Approved (6-0).

Respectfully Submitted by
Marcella Peyre-Ferry – Secretary

Approved by