St. Clair Township - Volunteer Park Committee Meeting, September, 2017

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

Present: Don Wallace, Brian Dulski, Diane Wickline, Dean Wallen

Minutes: Wallace moved to approve minutes, Wallen second, motion passed

Updates:

- Loop Creek to be surveyed to meet grant criteria
- Bids to be obtained for 2 pavilions, walk/bike path with asphalt surface, two water fountains, and design work for trees and benches at Loop Creek
- Camera working well, two additional to be purchased
- Roller rink at Wolf Branch resurfaced, looks good
- Tennis courts underway at Wolf Branch
- Some trees removed at Centennial that were near walking paths
- Ag Lime ordered and to be put down on trail at Centennial
- Bridge was removed at Centennial
- In discussion with Lighting District to get lights at Loop Creek

Grants:

- Morton Arboretum grant denied, but possible to still negotiate for a partial grant. Will also attempt to work with MEPRD to find alternate funding source.
- MEPRD grant to be written in October. Awaiting Loop Creek survey.
- \$30,000 grant received from St. Clair County Parks Rec Grant 2016 cycle.

Centennial Park:

• Plan is to remove some ash trees nearest the paths and trails and plant some new trees to replace in expectation of ash borer. Will go to board for the \$15,000 if Morton does not come through.

Loop Creek:

- Committee will have input on design before submission to board for final approval.
- Wallace asked committee to visit Loop Creek Park and have suggestions for next meeting.

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Budget:

• Anticipate \$200,000 in park revenue in FY17. About half of property taxes are in. Feel like we are in good shape to move forward with the proposed projects.

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New Business:

Good of the Committee:

Adjournment:

- Wallen moved to adjourn, seconded by Wallace, Passed.
- Meeting Adjourned 7:55pm