

## St. Clair Township Park Committee Meeting Minutes 07/14/2020

Meeting to order 7:00pm

Don Wallace, Brian Dulski, Linda Wallace, Tonda VanHoose

Linda motion to approve minutes, Brian Second, Approved

### Board Update:

- MEPRD Grant prepared and ready to be submitted when opens. Grant is to finish Loop Creek amenities.
- Several trees removed from Richland Creek in Centennial Park.
- Identified several trees that could fall on trail. Will be removed.
- Adult swing set will be installed now that the state is in phase 4 of COVID recovery.
- Child swing set to be purchased.
- Board is happy with the progress at Loop Creek and Centennial and is looking to the park board to continue to planning for additional amenities at Centennial.
- Board noted that there is erosion in the creek and that it may need to be remedied. Bridge could be in danger of falling into creek due to bank instability. May have to consider a vehicle bearing bridge to be able to get equipment to other side of stream to remedy creek.
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### Loop Creek:

- Applied to Illinois EPA for permission to replace existing sewer plant and they may go where the tennis courts are currently. Play area on the sewer plant side of the creek will be moved to the other side since it will be displaced. Tennis courts may be rebuilt on other side, but another amenity may be considered instead as tennis court utilization is low. Basketball courts are utilized more heavily, so additional court may be a better option.
- Tree grant trees all took. Some look better than others, but are alive.

### Centennial Park:

- Clean up day scheduled Sat, Oct 3, 9-noon. Don will get board approval and publicized on sewer bills. Brian will publicize on social media in September.
- Projects could include:
  - Honeysuckle removal of next portion of park adjacent to current cleared area.
  - Dave to contact Girl/Boy Scout groups for support.
  - Mulch nature play area.
- Walking trail is being eroded by the creek near the pond and close to nature area. Brian will take a few photos to document specific areas and inform Dave.

### Wolf Branch:

- Positive feedback from residents to updated roller rink and pickle ball court.
- Maple tree near tennis court has taken well and looks healthy and is growing.

### Grants:

- MEPRD grant prepared and ready to submit.

New Business:

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Tonda motion to adjourn, Brian seconded, passed.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:36