

Parks/Recreation Committee Meeting  
September 10, 2015

Members present: Brian Longenecker, Roy Snyder, Daryl Faust, Greg Hohenwarter, George Wanner, Bill Musser, Korleen Kalkins, Vicki Eldridge, Greg Collins, Wayne Sponseller, Judy Sponseller, Dave Gerhart. Ann Spence an East Drumore Township resident was visiting.

Discussion began with general comments on the bridge over 222 and its completion. While parking at Fairview 1 appears adequate now, parking needs may have to be addressed which could include enlarging Fairview 1 parking and making Fairview 2 a parking alternative particularly for local users.

Parking, signage and planting at Sigman Road were briefly discussed.

Dave brought up the need to mark the boundaries of the trail at critical places where logging might infringe on trail property. A work detail for marking trees will be held on November 14, 2015 with a meeting time of 8:00 AM at Fairview 1 parking lot.

Concerns were also voiced about weeds growing through the surface, trees getting too big at the tunnels and overpasses, how to control invasive plants such as kudzu, tear thumb and melon vine, and mowing in such a way as to allow natural windflowers and berry bushes to grow and reseed. Korleen said there are safe, natural sprays that can be used. Brian will contact Kara Kalupson for information on controlling invasive species. There will be a work detail on Saturday, September 12, at 8:00AM to clear weeds from the trees that were planted at Fairview 1.

Greg informed the group that Martic and Conestoga may do surfacing next year with money from a grant they are applying for through DCNR. This may leave some money from the federal TAP grant that we can use for other items, such as erosion, wayfinding signage.

In another money matter, Greg said there is a TA grant of \$808,000 available which could cover such things as bank erosion, beautification and betterment of a contiguous trail which could include control of invasive species and planting projects around the benches, signage, and possible development of overnight camping sites in the future.

Getting Quarryville Borough involved was again brought up. Greg volunteered to contact the Chamber of Commerce, the Parks Board and the Borough as a way to start discussions for their involvement.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

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