

1 Tuesday April 17, 2012 Park Board meeting

2 Members attending

3 Bill Nelson

4 Fred Sheridan

5 Lisa Kiesling

6 Ryan McReyonlds

7 The meeting was called to order @ 7:00pm. Discussion on the need for having 2  
8 vending areas started off this meeting. There were pros and cons explained by  
9 Fred Sheridan. Discussion followed on the ability to actually staff two pavilions  
10 by the groups that will be using the pavilion(s). The Trail Meeting will be on May  
11 16<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 pm and will be at the village offices. Bill asked if the Park committee  
12 could meet with the trail committee. The Park committee meeting for May is  
13 rescheduled to the 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 7:00pm. By meeting with the FTLTN, this committee  
14 may have some additional ideas and or discussion points. Fred spoke on the new  
15 playground. Fred has donations for the excavating for the playground and  
16 removal of the concrete at the horse shoe pitches. Fred will meet this week with  
17 Glen Warden regarding the train sections and their placement. The first 2 sections  
18 are done and the school is out of room to build the third and fourth sections. The  
19 third section is nearly done. Fred will coordinate the movement, storage and set  
20 up of the train sections. Fred said the general public does not like the idea of  
21 taking space away from the pavilion for a vending area. This leads this committee  
22 to recommend that for now there be a free standing vending area. There was  
23 discussion about the Keila Knight, April Carroll run/walk and the donations that  
24 may be available. Brad is working on the set up of the playground equipment as  
25 well. Fred reiterated the Birch Run Moose Lodge still wants to assemble the  
26 vending pavilion. The trusses are ordered for one pavilion. The discussion then  
27 shifted to how to assemble 2 pavilions. This regards the concrete and structure  
28 for 2 buildings. Fred thinks that the costs associated with 2 buildings should be  
29 covered by the \$4,000.00 approved by the Township Board. If not then there will  
30 be additional fund requirements that will need to be approved by the Twp. Board.  
31 Lisa said that Birch Run Township is not eligible for grants and probably never will  
32 be!!! MDNR Grant coordinators are the folks that say this. Apparently there was  
33 some discrepancy between the Federal Government and the Township when the  
34 original Buster Brown Park was sold. It seems that the discrepancy has been

35 resolved. Lisa has been in contact with the State and has an email that says the  
36 situation has been resolved. Bill and Fred suggested the Township Clerk be  
37 provided with a hard copy of this discrepancy resolution.

38 Lisa will contact either Keila and/or April on the donations that may be available.

39 The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm and these minutes are respectfully submitted  
40 @ 7:50pm on Tuesday April 17<sup>th</sup> 2012.