

North Strabane Township Comprehensive Recreation, Park, and Open Space Plan

Meeting Minutes #3

March 15, 2023 - Municipal Building

In attendance:

Matt Cunningham, Parks and Recreation Director
Lisa Sheehan, Chair of the Parks and Recreation Board
Michelle Quinn, Member of the Parks and Recreation Board
Josh Hickman, Community Volunteer and Scout Leader
Jill Motzer, Citizen Volunteer
Donald Progar, Citizen Volunteer
Heather Cuyler, Pashek+MTR

Absent:

Steve Glancy, Youth Soccer Organization Leader
Emily Holmes, Township Supervisor
Davis Garner, Youth Citizen Volunteer

Discussion Items

1.1 Where are we in the process?

- Community questionnaire has been launched! To date (as of April 6th), there has been 685 responses. The questionnaire responses will be reviewed at the April meeting.
- Key stakeholder interviews are in progress. Great feedback from the community.
- Questionnaire will be promoted at the Easter Egg Hunt.

1.2 Review of February Site Visits: What did we learn?

Alexander Playground:

- Lack of Shade
- Restrooms
- Upgrade playground
- ADA parking
- How can we add value to the neighborhood
- Upgrade basketball court
- Could we include pickleball?

Borland Park

- Parking is non-existent
- Walkable park for the community
- Walking track
- Play equipment for 2-5?
- Passive recreation
- Should have a focus meeting with surrounding neighbors
- Is there a survey available of the property?

84 Property

- Land locked
- Steep grade to access the property
- Trails
- Mountain bike trails
- Great place for Eagle Scout Projects
- Overlook, observation tower
- Indoor recreation facility, maybe not in this location but where could it be located?

Community Park

- How can we incorporate more shade?
- Shade near playground
- Lights at basketball courts
- Looped trail
- Slopes: how can we reduce mowing and increase the beauty? Crownvetch? Native plantings?

Lindley Mine Park

- Shooting range
- Public Works storage
- Additional research needed.

1.3 Vision and Mission Statement: Tabled until next meeting.

Next Steps

Next Meeting April 19th 3:30-5:00 PM

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