



August 11th, 2025

- Called meeting to order at 7:08 pm.
- In attendance: Alyssa, Bonnie, Ari, John, Brad, and Matt, with Toni Valenti.
- The first order of business is to approve July minutes. Alyssa motioned, John seconded. All approved.
- Recap of the council meeting, Per John:
  - P&R submitted two letters to counsel; the first outlining the repairs needed to be made in the park with estimated costs of about \$3,000. Council said they would table this letter. P&R can still vote despite Council's pending approval.
  - P&R gave Counsel our recommendation on how much we would need to spend for the repairs. It was also mentioned that by the end of this year, we would need to submit next year's budget as two separate requests; one for events and one for equipment. P&R would need to fundraise for the events.
- Movie in the Park will be tabled for the time being. P&R did not hear back in time from a council member regarding coordination with Kiwanis. Could reschedule for later in the year, but obtaining a license is still an issue. We could purchase one, but would then have to show at least 3 movies within a certain time frame. Brad motioned to table the idea of a movie in the park until next season when the park is complete; Alyssa seconded; the motion passed unanimously.
- Cameras are still being worked on. Campbell Park needs clearer cameras.
- Led by Bonnie, P&R is currently pursuing a grant for the Dog Park. This would be up to \$3,000 at the junior leadership group level or \$5,000 at the senior leadership group level. The project is due at the end of the week (8/15). Should have fencing that separates big dogs from the little dogs. Bonnie will submit online. We are still determining if P&R would have to give estimates for costs or if the grant would give the estimates to us. Alyssa will do a sketch-up of the park currently to determine the amount of fencing needed. Could also propose an agility course, benches, and dog water station. P&R would like to know if anyone from the borough would need to co-sign on an executive level.
- Grant sub-committee. Matt, Bonnie, and Alyssa would be interested in participating.

- Possibly put benches by the basketball court so that the picnic tables are not moved. This could be done by DPW.
- One basketball net was found and put up. The other two have not yet been found in the supply shed.
- Sponsorship campaign. Ask businesses to sponsor for the year. One time donation that covers the whole year in an effort to meet an annual campaign goal. Will outline what the events will be in advance.
  - Alyssa has list of potential businesses.
  - Will attempt to hold the campaign at the end of the year. Propose a tier system. \$100, \$500, etc. Would display names and logos of those who donate at each function.
  - If we are mailing, P&R would like to know how we are to pay for postage, stationary, etc. John proposed to start with people/businesses we already know in order to set a base.
  - For future fundraisers, P&R would like to have a Venmo link instead of a cash jar.
  - Events for P&R should go out on Code Red.
- Would like to include social media as part of P&R agenda. Would be good for sponsors as well.
- Next meeting (9/8) will discuss P&R involvement with the Cemetery tour. John will present ideas to assist with the Cemetery tour to the West Pittston Historical Society.
- Alyssa motioned at 8:08 to adjourn.