

# EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP RECREATION BOARD MEETING AGENDA

**PUBLIC MEETING HELD AT THE EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 100 HILL ROAD, DENVER, PA 17517**

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023 AT 7:00 P.M.**

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- 1) **MEETING:** CALL TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM
- 2) **WELCOME:** TERRI MAXWELL
- 3) **REAMSTOWN PARK BASKETBALL COURT:** AARON WILCZEK'S EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT
- 4) **EAST COCALICO SWIM TEAM:** HEATHER CLEVENER TO DISCUSS SWIM TEAM PRACTICE TIMES, SWIM MEET DATES/TIMES, AND RAIN DATES
- 5) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023
- 6) **CURRENT PROJECTS:**
  - a) **REAMSTOWN POOL COURT (LEAD - JOE BECKER):**
  - b) **REAMSTOWN PARK BASKETBALL COURT (LEAD – JOE BECKER):**
  - c) **STONE POINT DCNR GRANT (LEAD - LORRAINE KULP / CO-LEAD - GABRIELLE DUNN)  
TOWNSHIP RESIDENT - MIKE GALLEY AND DENVER BOROUGH MGR – MIKE HESSION**
- 7) **REAMSTOWN POOL / MAINTENANCE:**
  - a) **CONTINUE WITH EPHRATA REC CENTER AND AQUADOCS OR HIRE THE TOWNSHIP RECREATION BOARD AND RESIDENT ALAN FRY**
    - i) **SUB COMMITTEE LEADER/VOLUNTEER (LEAD – ALAN FRY / CO-LEAD - EDWARD MCALANIS**
      - a) **POOL - PRESSING ISSUES**
        - i) **CHEMICALS:** TO BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE GUIDELINES  
ALAN FRY: PROPOSED \$15/HOUR (APPROX. 2 HOURS PER DAY)  
\$900/MONTH APPROX. EXPENSE  
CERTIFY/TRAIN TOWNSHIP ROAD CREW FOR CHEMICALS
        - ii) **STAFFING:** ALAN FRY ASSIST WITH PROCESS  
POOL MANAGER – PATRICK KOHLER  
GUARDS  
FRONT DESK
        - iii) **SNACK BAR:** EXPENSE / WAIT TIME
        - iv) **MORE UMBRELLAS / MORE CHAIRS**
        - v) **FACEBOOK PAGE** ADD WEB CAM, COMMUNICATION UPDATES, OPEN/CLOSE TIME CHANGES

**8) COCALICO YOUTH SOCCER**

a) SUB COMMITTEE LEADER (TBD):

**9) NEW BUSINESS:**

a) **WARWICK TO EPHRATA REGIONAL TRAIL (WERT):**

i) LEAD – EDDY MCALANIS (LORRAINE KULP BACKUP AS NEEDED)

b) POOL MAINTENANCE (SEE ABOVE)

c) DOG ISSUE (MIKE GALLEY): REQUEST A “DOG ALERT” LETTER SEND TO RESIDENTS

i) SENT TO ALL STONEY POINTE RESIDENTS

ii) NEW SIGNAGE – DOGS MUST BE LEASHED (\$600 FINE)

iii) ALERT ON TOWNSHIP WEBSITE

iv) POST STONEY POINTE FACEBOOK PAGE

LETTER TO ENTAIL: WE SUPPORT ANIMAL LOVERS, RECENT EVENT OCCURRED, STONEY POINTE PARK IS NOT A DESIGNATED DOG PARK, LINK TO ARTICLE “CONTROL OF ANIMALS”, PREVENTING FUTURE DOG-TO-DOG AND DOG-TO-HUMAN, BE MINDFUL OF THE ORDINANCES / NEIGHBORS / CHILDREN / OTHER DOGS

ii) **PUBLIC COMMENT:** (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

iii) **ADJOURN:**

FEB 21, 2023

Meeting called to order 7:00 pm

Welcomed Teri Maxwell to the board, new member, first meeting

In attendance: Teri Maxwell, Eddy McAlanis, Lorraine Kulp, Gabrielle Dunn and Terresa and Phil

**Reamstown park bball court eagle scout presentation:**

Aaron Wilczeks Eagle Scout project

Troup 60, 10th grader in Reamstown

Showed Video explaining his motivation and an example of what he plans on doing

Adding two new basketball hoops, benches and something at the top of the hill to prevent the balls from rolling down the hill. Reached out to 9 companies so far to get input on the best way to go about this. Goal setter was the main one, they have two hoops that they recommend, the MVP and the Launch Pro. MVP is 3k, launch pro is 3.5k they can offer both hoops at a dealer discount, not sure what that is yet. His fence ideas for stopping the ball include a plant, arborvitae plant that can be used but needs maintenance, could also be a fence, staggered fence about 4ft tall. Court could also be used for Jr. High or High school basketball camp and get some youth kids involved with them, could also start a summer league for friday and saturday nights with lights. Mrs. Hartranft, head of cocalico youth basketball, would be interested in youth clinics. (love that he's thinking ahead to the younger generations) would be great to put the cocalico eagle on the court could be a great project for a senior or art student. Eagle scout project needs to be done by his 18th birthday (may 11, 2024)

(Said the lights don't currently turn on) Eddy said he will contact the road crew to discuss it with them. **include this info in the newsletter\*\*** so people will know when the lights will be on and available.

Our concern would be since we just repaved the court, what's the most cost effective way to do this without having to redo what we've already done. Phill said he spoke to someone who said it wouldn't be an issue to cut some of the asphalt up; may need to dig into this further. (Tourench it off and weld it?) Aaron plans on doing fundraising to raise the funds for the courts but needs to know what we as a board are willing to do, hoping for 5k from the township to go towards the cost of the hoops, new baskets.

We've gotten approval to raise the fence between the court and the pool, four poles nets and hoops have already been ordered, Eddy needs to get the specs to figure out what was actually ordered.

We need specs from Aaron to know sizes and space he needs.

We have funds set aside for repairs, smaller projects but we need a line item list from Aaron on his costs and what we would be able to fund for him so we can properly present the request to the board. (requesting this info for the next rec board meeting, March 13th)

No public comment was made (end at 7:30)

### **East Cocalico Swim Team/Pool**

Heather Clevenger- Main contact for the swim team

Schedule of what their season looks like

(pretty much the same as previous years) Not hosting divisionals this year

**We will be taking back control in 2024 but for now we will be utilizing the Ephrata Rec Center again. Main change for the pool this year is that the township will be using Alan Fry to control/maintain the chemicals**

We need to figure out who will be operating the facebook page for the pool this year

Heather, Mike, Tommy and Teri, and Eddy will be in contact to communicate pool issues this year

Could we do a counter so we can figure out how busy the pool is during certain times (not a live cam) How to do this?

Swim team members should be required to purchase a pool pass to offset costs (last year there were 55 swimmers) good faith for using our facilities and providing lifeguards Heather agrees Last year the swim team paid half of the normal student rate. Were gonna look into these rates and try to be in sync with Denver. Swimmer upgrade of \$15 for entrance fee into Denver. (need to know about fee for registration flier which will be going out the next month)  
**\*\*add this to the newsletter as well\*\***

End 7:46

### **Approval of Minutes**

In the first motion, remove "Steve Brubaker" and replace with Philip Wiest

Everything else is good, minutes are approved otherwise

(End 7:55)

### **Current Projects**

Reamstown Pool court

(attendance was discussed, it is very important for us to show up as much as possible)

Eddy suggests making an attendance requirement. 75% required, so you may miss 3 meetings.

We will vote on it at the next meeting, potential removal from the board if this attendance requirement is not met

Phil is taking over the reamstown pool court and Joe will be stepping down

We need to get information from Tommy of what was ordered. Phil will be able to coordinate with Aaron. And Eddy will be the sub chair if Phil needs help with anything.

### **Stoney Pointe DCNR Grant**

Gabby and Lorraine will be meeting with Tommy to discuss this; we haven't really done anything with this yet

### **Reamstown Pool Maintenance**

Continuing with Ephrata Rec Center

Alan will be taking over the chemicals (training Road Crew)

Need to have this conversation before November next year for 2024 to be able to move the management of the pool to the township

Pool pressing Issues:

Get in contact with Tommy and Mike Hession for updated pool rates

Eddy makes a motion to hire ephrata rec center for 2023 pool season, but in october we will make plans to move pool operations in house. Terresa Seconds this motion (Ephrata Rec Center rate is increasing 4%)

Need new umbrellas and chairs, Alan and Lorraine/Teri will take care of this. (hoping to shop around)

Pavilions and use of the pool- Renting for parties ect.

Charge \$30, give back \$20 (current)

\*\* put into the newsletter that this is an option\*\*

Talk to Tommy about a contract- this should be documented and the reservations should be documented, made public on the facebook page and should include the swim team calendar also with night swims and other times reserved at the pool to make the public aware.

Needs to be consistent, "reserved signs"?

We should get a people counter, how do you get this information on Google? Where does the peak time info come from? But we could also use the counter to make sure that everyone who enters is paying

### **Cocalico Youth Soccer**

Proposal to use Public Space in Old Homestead

They want to build a better relationship with the township

Futsal court, on current basketball court

350 soccer players year round!

(present to us what a futsal court is next meeting)

Tommy- when developers come in township will provide builders letter of requests so that the township can be part of the development

Youth soccer is losing field space

Wants to come up with an official agreement/documentation allowing them to use old homestead and wants to work with the community to make this work. Maybe doesn't need to be old homestead, but they want some sort of space that can be promised to them to use.

Maybe look into Futsol court at some point.

Need to find space in general but also need room for 11 v 11

Competing with the school for SAFE space

WANT at least one public space for 11 v 11, 130 by 100 yards

Would love 2 or 3 11 v 11 fields to host tournament with plenty of parking

Phil suggests a working group to explore this topic and the 5 year plan we've been talking about. Need to talk with Tommy and the BOS to discuss this further. This would be a great topic for the "letters of request" with the builders.

Sub committee- Eddy, Teresa, Lorraine and Phil and Russ

We will have the roadcrew remove the bench that's in the way

Provide us with the Futsol Court details for next meeting

Reamstown Park is willing to help them with this as well

### **WERT TRAIL**

Meeting on Thursday, 2/23 in Denver at 6pm at Denver municipal building, anyone is welcome.

Tommy and Eddy will be attending

### **Dog Issue**

Townships require dogs to be on a leash even if the state does not

Eddy will be gathering street information to send letters out to the community involved in the incident with the dogs.

All parks should have portapotties

Tommy will draft a letter to get these things done

**\*\* this reminder of leashed dogs should be in the newsletter\*\***

### **Next Agenda:**

Add 5 year plan to the agenda for next month

BRING YOUR PLANS NEXT TIME to narrow the focus

Get maps from Tommy to figure out what space we actually have to utilize

Form sub groups

End at 9:18