- 1. <u>Meeting Called to Order</u> The meeting was called to order by Kevin McGovern at 6:36 p.m. (Carol had an issue with Sebastian's presentation) at Town Hall.
- 2. <u>Roll Call</u> Present: Members: Kevin McGovern, Chairman, Phil Spohn, Vice Chairman, Niloofar Aflatooni, Robert Blasko, Jerry Holum, Maia Simon and Shaun Yanchuk; Council Liaison: Laura Ray &; Staff Liaison: Carol Schneider; Jr. Council Members: Cole Hubert & Samuel Van Norman. Absent: Priscilla deLeon.
- 3. <u>Approval of February 5, 2024 Minutes</u> Kevin stated that he has received correspondence from board members. He said that he appreciates the engagement and appreciated the support, he said they will be doing a lot of good things. Motion to approve?

MOTION: Kevin

SECOND: Niloo, motion passed 7-0.

4. Presentations: Eagle Scout Sebastian Jaramillo Zamora (Gaga Pit at Polk Valley Park) - Kevin introduced Sebastian. Sebastian explained that he wanted to build a Gaga Pit at Polk Valley Park. He said that he met with the township Manager, Mark Hudson and Director of Public Works, Roger Rasich to discuss placement and (his slides were not working) construction. He said he was proposing a 16 ft. x 16 ft. Gaga ball pit and two benches 2 ft. x 8 ft., with the Gaga pit and benches made of wood. He stated that the game is essentially a variation of dodge ball however, the ball stays on the ground and if the opponent gets hit in the leg, they are out. The goal is to be the last man standing. He stated that the cost of the project would be roughly \$1,500.00. He is looking for approval of the project and possible financial support as it would greatly help him and his team.

Kevin asked if there were questions? Phil asked if there were any Gaga pits around? Sebastian said that there was one at Dimmick Park however, it was recently taken down, he said that a lot of troops were asking about gaga pits, this is why we wanted to bring it back. He said that when he goes to camp, the nearest one is over 40 minutes to an hour away, he said that he believes that this would be something for our community and provide some exercise as well. Phil asked if a ball remains on site? Sebastian said the plan was for people to bring their own ball but maybe he could build a storage unit? He said he planned on including a plaque to display the rules. Robert said he knows nothing about Gaga pits, is there a net or a goal, what is it? Sebastian explained again and said that you can have 8-10 players, you essentially hit the ball with your hand at your opponent's knees. Maia asked how big the pit was? Sebastian said, 16 ft. x 16 ft. Robert said this could get loud and fun, where do you have it proposed to go? Sebastian said originally, he proposed it to be closer to the pavilion however, it was suggested to be moved away from the pavilion due to families renting the pavilion for picnics/private parties. Kevin asked for a timeline once approved from the Parks & Recreation Board. Sebastian answered July 1st. Kevin asked if he would do the work with others? Sebastian said yes. Kevin asked if he would need heavy equipment? Sebastian said the most he needs to do is to dig 3 ft. deep holes for the walls to be put in place and level out the interior of the pit, but he said, no real heavy work needed to be done. Jerry asked Sebastian raised any money yet? Sebastian stated that he has fundraisers planned due to the high cost of materials for the project. Jerry said that it would be a good idea to supplement whatever money isn't raised. Maia suggested that Sebastian raise \$1,000.00 and the Township would give \$500.00 towards his project. Kevin stated that he likes Maia's idea however, he was worried about the timing to raise the money for this project. Sebastian said that he is scheduled to appear before Council on March 20th. If this gets approved, he will move forward with going before his Scout Council. Carol mentioned that a recommendation from Parks & Recreation (PR) would move forward with Sebastian for the next Council meeting. Phil made a motion for the Township to match up to \$750.00 towards Sebastian's Eagle Scout Project.

MOTION: Phil

SECOND: Maia, motion passed 7-0.

5. <u>Citizen Non-Agenda Items</u>: None

6. **Updates**:

- 1. **Line Item/Budget** (allocation per park) Kevin stated that this is just an information item, there is no action needed.
- 2. **Town Hall Park (Niloo)** Playground (upper) Spring/Summer Installation. *Nothing to report*.
 - 1. Equipment Purchased & Received (Installation Projected for 2024) Nothing to report.
 - 2. **Town Hall Lower Tot lot** Kevin stated that there was a Memo from Mark Hudson regarding the two options for the Tot lot. He said please see the attached quote from Recreation Resource for \$99,199.00 for the Town Hall Tot Lot (lower level) along with renderings of future park features. All current ADA features will remain located in the green mulch and old equipment will be removed located in the brown mulch.

Kevin stated that the Township applied for a 50/50 matching grant through GROW NORCO for \$50,000.00 to replace equipment on the lower level of Town Hall Park. They were awarded \$20,000.00. The proposed structure quote is \$99,199.00.00 minus \$20,000.00 which leaves the township with the balance of \$79,199.00. He said the following are options to consider.

Option #1. Keep all proposed equipment as planned with a cost of \$99,199.00.00 (\$20,000.00 grant/\$79,199.00 Township obligation).

Option #2. Scale back on proposed features i.e., the smaller play features, reducing the total cost to \$78,796.00 (\$20,000.00/\$58,796.00).

Kevin read from the memo that the funding options can come from the Reserves from the ARPA Funds and would be dependent on Council approval.

Kevin said we can do one of two things here. We can pick Option 1. or Option 2, with less features. Jerry asked do we approve or disapprove this? Carol said we are looking for a recommendation to present to Council. Kevin said that this looks like a comprehensive plan and was well thought out. He said he would assume they should stick with the plan that was initially proposed but he also wanted to be aware of the budget constraints in the township. He said, his thinking is, someone put a lot of time into this. His position would be to stick with the plan of those who know a little bit more than they did. What do you think Jerry? Jerry asked, where are the details? We're only seeing the quote? Carol said that she believes that the details are written inside the quote. Kevin agreed. Jerry mentioned that he didn't know if anyone else did this, he said that he looked at the playground on his way in and he personally didn't see a need for this. He said he didn't understand what this was going to do for the playground. Carol stated that the problem was, they cannot order replacements parts for broken/outdated items, they don't make them anymore. She said that the Township plans on keeping the two new ADA items and wanted to replace the older playground equipment. Kevin asked Shaun if he had any questions. Kevin said that he has two young boys and stated that what he was looking at on the drawings, his kids wouldn't last 5 minutes on the playground. He said, the design isn't interesting and asked if it could be upgraded and do better? Carol said it would cost money. Shaun said, can you get rid of these little....Carol said don't forget that this was for the tot lot, the upper park (playground) is being completely replaced. Shaun said, ok. Carol reiterated that the options were for the tot lot and not the upper lot. Jerry said he didn't see the need for a xylophone at a playground and was concerned about the mallets getting lost. Someone said that they were tethered. Shaun asked what features would be taken away for option #2? Carol said the musical items that Jerry was discussing. Kevin said that the total cost for those (musical) features would amount to \$22,000.00, so option #1. Would be to keep those items and option #2. We would be to remove the smaller play (musical) features and say we don't believe that they would be needed, reducing the total cost by \$22,000 bringing it down \$58,796.00 from \$79,000.00 after the grant (\$20,000.00). He also stated that he believed Carol's weight carried, saying that it's a need of repair and they cannot fix the existing playground. Phil asks what the ARPA funds were? Laura said it's the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Some discussion took place explaining the ARPA funds, Maia asked if they can recommend option #1 and if Council doesn't approve because it wouldn't be fiscally possible, that we recommend option #2? Kevin stated that its logic. Maia made the motion to recommend option #1 and if Council doesn't approve because it wouldn't be fiscally possible, that they would recommend option #2. Jerry said he opposes, he stated it's a waste of land for musical equipment on the playground. Robert said that he would agree with that except, some children would come to the playground inclined to move towards the musical features instead of the physical activity. Maia said maybe some kids will find that they have a musical aptitude, they we're talking about little kids who may not have access to musical instruments. Jerry said why don't we get a bubble machine? Kevin said I see two options here; we could recommend option #1 or option #2. Maia said, we have a motion on the floor, we recommend option #1 and tell Council that if that's not acceptable, option #2. Kevin said thank you for the clarification. Robert said, again, were not always going to agree with each other, but this has to go before Council either way. Kevin said that's right.

Option #1. Keep all proposed equipment as planned with a cost of \$99,199.00.00 (\$20,000.00 grant/\$79,199.00 Township obligation), tell Council that if that's not acceptable, Option #2. Scale back on proposed features i.e. the smaller play features, reducing the total cost to \$78,796.00 (\$20,000.00/\$58,796.00).

MOTION: Maia

SECOND: Niloo, motion passed 6-1 (Jerry opposed).

Kevin said at the last meeting they discussed the Parks and each member volunteering to oversee the needs of the park(s) they choose. Since that meeting, Robert has volunteered for Polk Valley Park and Phil has volunteered for Sandra Yerger Park. He asked if anyone would like to volunteer for any other park? Maia asked to take the Heller Homestead. Jerry said he would like the Easton Road Ballfield. Shaun said that he would take the Steel City Park. Niloo said she would take Town Hall Park. Kevin said he would take Southeastern & Kingston Parks. Maia and Jerry would like to co-chair the Saucon Rail Trail.

- 3. Southeastern Park (Kevin) Nothing to report.
- 4. Steel City Park (Shaun) Nothing to report.
- 5. **Polk Valley Park (Robert)** Pickleball Court *Nothing to report.*
- 6. **Kingston Park (Kevin)** *Nothing to report.*
- 7. Easton Road Ballfield (Jerry) - Kevin stated that at the last election, he was speaking to Sandra Yerger and they were talking about the election, life and the ballfield. He said he was amazed at all the traffic at how much traffic there was on the road at 5:30/6:00 p.m. He said that he was surprised that there were a lot of cars but there were also a lot of trucks coming out of the industrial park. He said that he was thinking of the proposal to expand the warehouses on Easton Road and it worries him with the addition amount of traffic on that road. He said he wondering what people think if it's a concern as a group and if we should make a recommendation around this? Maia asked, because of the impact of Easton Road ballfield? Kevin said yes, he's just thinking, there will be a lot of kids playing and of all the families coming and going. He said there's a lot of trucks on the road and with more trucks on the road, it will complicate the problem even more. Jerry said that his concerns were more for the safety aspect, we have boys going out there from ages 13-19 years old. How are the younger boys going to get there? They have one or two options. They're parents are going to take them...How are the rest of them going to get there? Bicycle? That road is bad, especially for a bicycle. He said that he had concerns about this. Jerry then asked Cole, how many boys do you think will go out there as it relates to walking or biking? He said what's your feeling Cole? Cole said he thought most people would get there by car, not many kids will walk or bike there. Phil said, it's far enough out, they'll go by car. Phil also said that he agrees for watershed problems too. Robert asked if Easton Road was a state road? Carol said it's a State Road. Robert asked if they have the ability to go to the state and ask them to restrict the speed because of the park? Carol mentioned bringing up their concerns to Council and have Council forward a letter. Laura said it would have to go to PennDOT and she wasn't

sure how much red tape it would take to get a speed reduction, probably a lot, you can suggest it. Kevin said that made sense and said he liked Laura's suggestion. He said that he would like to propose to ask Council to investigate the speed limit around the ballfield, he said that he would also like to propose, they (PR) recommend to Council to turn back the zoning from warehouses back to residential and avoid anymore trucks on that road and around the ballfield. Cole said he knows the speed limit is currently 40 mph. Robert said that they do 50 mph plus. Kevin stated that there aren't any street lights on the road either. Maia asked Laura what the status was for reassessing the zoning and rolling it back, what was the outcome? Laura said it was a work in progress, they are having staff look at options and maybe eliminating warehouses out of that somehow. Maia said, in that case, she thinks its appropriate for them to weigh in. Kevin said that he would like to make a motion on that they.... Niloo said she had a quick question before we move on. She asked when are we visiting the parks and what do you specifically want to do, go monthly? Kevin said to start out, let's all go out to the parks (assigned) before the next meeting, if you can't and don't get there, its not bad. He said, if they can all make it at some point, to get there in the next few months, and report back on the status (benches in disarray, garbage etc.) of "their" park, that would be the goal. Jerry mentioned something but was inaudible. Kevin told Jerry, not today, we'll come back and talk about it. He said he's still in a good shape. Maia told Kevin that they still need a second on your motion. Kevin said he wanted to be clear on his motion, he said his motion is two-fold, he said he wanted to move that they recommend to Council that they investigate how to lower the speed limit on Easton Road, and he would like to also recommend to Council that the Parks & Recreation Board would support them in turning back the zoning to residential as opposed to warehouses. Robert said for the purpose of added safety, shouldn't that be stated in there? Kevin said yes, he liked that. Phil said that he felt at the meeting two times ago, that the residents really liked the option to be zoned Light Industrial (LI) am I correct? He said because it gives them their property value back. Robert said some do, but at the original meeting they were talking about putting it to Light Industrial/Light Manufacturing (LI/LM), there were many more people objecting it. He stated that there were some people that have since switched, that objected originally, but now are saying at least this gives them an opportunity to sell their property and get out, so they're for it now. He said maybe one of the recommendations that Council could take care of as far as the zoning, would be to restrict it in such a way that the warehouses and the big tractor trailers wouldn't come in. He said that Council made the recommendation and they did change it, they also changed or maybe that zoning ordinance changes it, how close to the boundary lines you can be? Phil stated he was looking at it as a safety issue, he just wanted to make sure what area you were talking about.... Kevin said he knows there is a big debate going on in the township with the warehouses and was looking at it as a safety perspective, he said it goes back to an experience that he had a while ago out there, as he articulated previously when he was voting, he said that he goes up and down that road a couple times a week and there is a lot of traffic. He said he was thinking as our group, and with the ballfield being there, there will be more cars, and he appreciates the comments, there won't be a lot of people on bikes perhaps, but he thinks there will be a traffic issue and it will have to be addressed. Robert said that previous Council has gone to the City of Bethlehem and said that they didn't want the traffic to go on Easton Road, bring it all in from Rt. 412, and you see how that's going. Kevin said that Sandy said to him, that's what was supposed to happen, that traffic wasn't supposed to come out on Easton Road and was supposed to go out at the main entrance of the industrial park and that didn't happen. Kevin said that this was a conversation that he and Sandy had and that he trusts Sandy was telling the factual story there. Robert said to Kevin's point, if we do allow warehouse on our side of the road, that would definitely add more traffic. Kevin said, there's no way it cannot. He then said, his motion is, that we ask Council to look at the speed limit on Easton Road and reduce for safety, and he would also propose to Council that they would consider rezoning that area to residential from a safety perspective, traffic perspective. Jerry said he didn't think we should get involved in that part of it. Kevin said what part? Jerry said the second part of it asking Council, he said that it's Council's responsibility. Kevin said that he's purely looking at this as a Parks & Recreation perspective and he would make the same recommendation if you came back from the Rail Trail and said that something was going to be built that would impede or put more traffic and make it unsafe, or if Robert came back from Polk Valley or wherever and said that there was an issue. He said, to him, he's trying to separate the two from the landowners and their concerns to a traffic issue related to a proposal related to a ballfield that were spending a tremendous amount of money on. Robert asked if the motion could be separated to make two motions? Jerry said just make it one, I think that answered his questions. Kevin said that he respected what Jerry was saying. Maia said that they still didn't have a second. Robert then second the motion.

MOTION: Kevin

SECOND: Robert, motion passed 6-1 (Phil opposed).

- 8. Heller Homestead Park (Maia)
- 9. Sandra Yerger Community Recreation Area & Nature Preserve (Phil)
- 10. Saucon Rail Trail (Maia/Jerry) Restrooms Awaiting Grant Approval in June
- 11. **Movies in the Parks (dates TBD for June, July and August)** Survey Kevin said that the movies are in June, July and August. He said that he will keep this on future agenda's and would be happy to help at one of the movies, two if needed. He said that it would be great opportunity for Parks & Recreation to volunteer.
- 12. Volunteer Ideas for National Night Out (NNO) on August 6, 2024 Kevin stated that he will keep this on the agenda as well, and as it gets closer, they will make some finalized plans. He said that the idea is that they are visible and seen by the constituents of the Township. Jerry had some questions on NNO. Carol explained that the police host this event every year on the first Tuesday in August to create positive awareness between the public and Police Department. Kevin asked where the location was for NNO and Carol stated Town Hall Park. Jerry said he had an idea, we burned bridges down with Hellertown and Lower Saucon. He said that wouldn't this be a good time to build the foundation by doing something like this, having a softball game between the staff at Hellertown vs. staff at Lower Saucon? Carol said she believes that the intent for Parks & Recreation involvement was to help volunteer with the event like staff. Jerry said, so what your saying is that the softball game would take people away from the NNO event? Carol said yes. Kevin told Jerry that he likes the idea, and that he believes that Council has thought of that among other groups (how to mend fences). Kevin said, Phil is going to talk to us about Heritage Day in a little, those opportunities for those two groups to come together, would be welcome by many. He said that he liked Jerry's idea. Jerry said that would be buoyant with Heritage Day, do you want to talk about that? (Heritage Day discussion below).
- 7. **Special Event Applications**: None
- **New Business**:
 - 1. Review of Sheetz Store Preliminary/Final Land Development #LD 01-24 3727 Route 378 Kevin said that we want to review the Sheetz Store Preliminary Plan. Maia said why? Laura said she's not sure why this is on? Maia said that doesn't sound like that's Parks & Rec. to her. Carol said that the Parks & Recreation Board comes in to play when there is a Recreation fee involved. She stated that someone asked for this to be on the agenda therefore, it was put on. Laura said they get a fee from that? Carol said yes, any land development. Laura said it's already developed. Carol said it is developed, but it's a new project. She stated that the fee is also mentioned in the Hanover letter but the amount has not been determined yet. Kevin said do we want to come back to this? Carol explained the process of the Rec. fee's and when the fee is established, she'll add to the agenda and the group will vote on allocating the fee to the nearest park of said development. Kevin said that they can add this to the next meeting (or when this becomes available). He said no action needed at this time.
 - 2. International Firefighters Day May 4th, National Police Week May 15th through 21st, National Public Works Week May 19th through May 25th Kevin asked if these were events in the township or announcements? Carol said that someone asked for these to be on the agenda. She stated what staff has done in the past as far as International Firefighter's Day we organized buying pizza and dessert for the firefighters, along with organizing the same general idea for our Police and Public Works. We also change out the lights in front of the building for each (red, blue and orange) for each and promote of awareness on Facebook. Kevin stated that he was unsure of the ask. Carol mentioned again that someone asked for the International Firefighter's Day to be on the agenda and she felt like if this was added, by right the other two weeks should be added as well. Laura said she recently learned about this at her PSATS training and

was unaware that the township recognized them already (and didn't publicize them). She said it could be something Parks & Recreation can organize at park pavilion like in the past and have a picnic for volunteers. Kevin said he's just unclear on the ask. Laura asked, if it's something that you would be interested in coming as a group? Kevin said that he didn't have a problem if the group agreed to help out, he's just looking at the timeline as it was already March. Robert said they were already working on Heritage Day...Maia said maybe we let things go as in the past, and next year we can step up since the dates are coming up so quickly. Kevin said he was good with that and asked if everyone else was good with the suggestion. Everyone agreed.

- Natural Resource Inventory Maia said that she would like to propose that PR begin a multi-year project 3. to identify locating and removing native invasive species (trees/plants). She discussed some ideas on how to move forward with groups of 3-4. Kevin asked how the PR help out? He said that it sounds like she has a vast knowledge and asked how they can help as a group and be caught up to speed? Maia said she sent out an email which breaks down how to distinguish one plant from another. She also said that there are apps out there to help as well. She stated that the Pin Drop app. can help with navigating and locating by GPS.... Jerry asked if this would fall under the EAC? Maia said yes, but they are too busy with the dump. Phil said that this would be a good Earth Day project, he said he too is concerned about the invasive plants. Kevin asked Maia if this is something that the group consider doing, correct? She said yes. Kevin said would it be fair to say that we would start this project sometime this year and try to work on (focus) one park? Maia said yes. She stated that she would put it all together in ways that will work, and if anyone wants to volunteer, she would love to see all of them become at least conversant with this issue and it would grow from there. Jerry asked where Maia would start? Maia said the Heller Homestead or Town Hall, she said that by the time they would get to the bigger parks, they could get 2-3 acres done at a time. She said that she believes that they can involve the Boy Scouts, high school students, Lehigh University, and the general public and or this could even be a decent Eagle Scout project. Kevin said he likes the presentation. He asked Maia to come up with a plan for the next meeting on April 8th. Kevin said they can start small and go from there.
- Heritage Day May 18th Phil said that he was in touch with the people who are organizing Heritage Day. He stated Heritage Day is May 18th at the Hellertown Historical Society (the Grist Mill) and the Saucon Valley Conservancy (Heller Homestead connected by the Rail Trail) they are in the planning stages right now. He discussed with Donna that someone needs to be in charge of the big picture and see what is needed to assign volunteers. Maia said that she volunteered to have a table at the Homestead to about native plants. Kevin said that's wonderful. Carol mentioned as a reminder that the Saucon Valley Conservancy needed to get their event application in 60 days prior to the event. Kevin stated that he did mention that to some people, good point. Jerry asked if the softball game could be incorporated at Heritage Day? He said that this event could be separated and not take anyone away from Heritage Day. Kevin said he likes the idea, but would like to think of other ways to pull the groups together, he said the idea is a little bigger than them. Laura said maybe Community Day? Kevin said that might be an idea. Laura said that there is a ballpark right there. Jerry asked when Community Day was? Laura said August... Kevin said August 17th. Laura said that may be a good joint ball game place. Jerry asked who's in charge of community day? Laura said she's not sure. Phil said he thinks it's the Chamber. Kevin said that it's a potential idea and they can give it more thought and address it next time. Jerry said that if someone gives him a contact at the Chamber, he can contact them to see if it's a good idea, he said that he already spoke to the Mayor of Hellertown about it and he thinks it's an excellent idea. Phil said he would find it helpful if he had the big picture of specific events that happen on an annual basis that the Parks & Recreation Board is responsible for. Kevin stated that it's his understanding that they are not responsible for any such events, and that they are there to support planned events. He said that they talked about having their meetings at different parks, we talked about Heritage Day and someone should attend, we talked about the Movies in the Park he doesn't think that they have events themselves. Phil said it seems like the movies in the parks is recreation and would fall under this domain. He said what other things like that, that happen in January that happen year after year, that it appears that the township wants to continue. He thought it would be helpful to know that there would be time to do something new. He said that he couldn't get a grasp of what is expected of them as a group to do right now. Carol told Phil that they can get together and come up with a list. She stated that she had a wish list from the prior board of things that they wanted to

prioritize and have done however, they are not events that were run. Kevin said that he liked the softball idea and he would like Jerry to push the idea and would be willing to help if is able. Jerry said ok.

Junior Council Reports: Samuel Van Norman said that he thinks it's a great idea to go to the parks with members of Parks & Recreation. to see what it is they are looking for and what they want us to do. He said there is a need for Eagle projects, along with different opportunities out there. Phil asked Samuel if he was in need of an Eagle Scout project? Samuel stated that he was revamping the old schoolhouse at Southeastern.

Cole said that he lives out off of Lower Saucon Road and drives on Easton Road regularly, he said that he could report on the traffic and the ballfield as well. Kevin said that would be good he appreciates that.

Jerry said that he had a question for Cole. He asked Cole what his feelings on the new ballfield were? He also asked, how does your team feel about it? Cole said that he and the baseball team in general are excited for it. He said that the old field was definitely subpar. Jerry said Dimmick Park? Cole said no, the old Easton Road field. Jerry said don't you think that could've been upgraded? Cole said which one? Jerry said the old field. He said don't you think that could've been upgraded and saved a lot of taxpayer money by upgrading? Kevin said Jerry he can't answer that. Kevin asked if there was anything else? Sam asked if there was a timeline for Easton Park? Kevin asked if there was a timeline. Carol said that they are currently working on the retaining wall and pouring the footing for the netting. She said, that's all she had. Jerry stated that he met with the with the project superintendent out at the field to check the status and the upgrade of it. He said the timeline is going to be a lot longer than the feedback that he heard. He stated that the superintendent stated, off the record "If were in here by June, we've had good weather". He also said he doesn't envision playing ball this year. He said it's going to take at least six weeks to take root out there. They haven't laid cement yet and they just started digging the holes for the poles today. He then explained the process of putting up the poles the netting and the retaining walls. He said if you go up there is just a mud pit. He said that the top soil has to be trucked offsite, which will take some time. He stated that the contractor wants to be optimistic.

Maia asked if the young men had anything else? Samuel asked about the status on the Rail Trail Restrooms? Carol stated that it was a grant and they won't have any information until June.

Jerry mentioned that he has concerns about the Township portion of the trails. He said he would like to get a work party together to clean up the dead trees. He said that Public Works should give attention to the railing over the Saucon Creek. Phil mentioned that he is looking for an Earth Day project and will get in touch with Roger. Jerry mentioned starting an Adopt-A-Trail Program. Carol mentioned coming up with a proposal (possibly mirroring the Adopt-A-Road) and come back to Parks & Recreation with a detailed plan. Kevin agreed and told Jerry to come up with a plan. Laura said maybe Jerry could do a mile by mile clean up. Jerry asked don't if they would have the ability to just go and organize a work party? Carol said a program would need to go before Council.

- **10.** <u>Adjournment</u> Kevin asked if there was anything else? No other business was brought up and meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.
- 11. Next Meeting: Monday, April 8, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m. @ Town Hall.