

Park Commission Meeting September 19, 2025

Richard called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Members present: Diane Graf, Ken Sokol, Richard Morrison

Minutes from June meeting read and approved

Ken stated that Mark Collins of See More Green offered to help with park concerns; Richard reported our weather-ravaged flag needs replacing and that the photo-cell light is always on: Referred to Township board for action

In August the tree stump west of the play area was removed by John Kemler with Richard assisting; the large hanging hickory branch in the center of the park was removed by Ken with Richard assisting

The Commission members then inspected the new King Kong playscape that replaced the previous 20 year old structure.

The new playscape reflects several months of advocacy. Early on, Richard became aware of a spring sale that offered significant savings. We had been facing several thousand dollars in repairs and maintenance

An immediate savings of 4000.00 was achieved on purchase price and installation costs

Due to our local weather conditions, the canopy roof panels were replaced with wood panels for durability reasons-an upgrade of 1500.00

We were able to have the playground company utilize the newest components (swing tire and two slides) from the replaced playscape-a savings of almost 4000. (Side note: apparently the new equipment did not have a spiral slide-which meant additional costs. When discovered, a new plan was developed

Ken and Richard were on site for the old structure tear down in July

During the new installation, both Ken and Richard were present in the morning/ Richard returned in the afternoon for completion; both had met the owner earlier that day. It turned out to be an asset in the later afternoon when the crew raised questions regarding the spiral slide. All in all the park looked good-despite the summer drought

Next meeting February-budget

Meeting adjourned 6:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Richard Morrison, Chair/Secretary