Notes for Lancaster Parks and Recreation Department and Lancaster Tree Commission

1. Meeting to Order
   Committee Assignments: Randy Groff – Chair, Jon Hale, Tom Stoughton

   In Attendance:
   - Mike Tharp
   - Jon Hale
   - Tom Stoughton
   - Randy Groff
   - Greg Russell
   - Brian Kuhn
   - Paul Martin
   - Amber Thimmes

2. Guests

3. Old Business
   a. Land behind Menards, Wilcox Development, Park Board to accept land, 2.18 acres, bike trail
   b. Land between Ety and Collins Road, Fairfield County land bank to start foreclosure, 30+ acres, bike trail

4. Levy
   - Renew or increase, Park Board has approved a renewal.

5. New Business
   - Miller Park (Pool)
     a. Limited operation days of the week-Such as weekends only (open only 3-4 days a week, possibly holidays)
     b. Limited overhead/staff-bring staff to a total of 4
     c. Limited number of patrons-between 100-150 patrons
     d. A rented facility only-use when parties or events are scheduled only
     e. Arcade area in the facility-brings up profit but not sure of crowd it will bring in
     f. Remove skate park from the area ($00,000.00)-can be costly to maintain and fix issues with skate park but not sure where else it would go
     g. Reduced rate to patrons-not really helping with profit
     h. Look for grants to help offset losses in low economic areas
     i. Get groups like Kiwanis and Rotary involved to help offset operational costs or to cover repair/replacement costs. These items need to be done to continue making facility operational:
       i. New roof ( $10,000.00)
       ii. Paint or new siding exterior pool house ($10,000.00)
       iii. Reconfigure inside so that one person can operate door/concessions ($2,500.00)
iv. Repair/replace baby pool (repair $1,500.00/replace $8,000.00)
v. Remove sliding board

- Where are we at with the Capitol Campaign? Going forward with it, sending emails, working on finishing up into the next week
- Tree Commission should have a new employee by October 3rd
- Next Three major events in the parks: Frontier Players, Pumpkin Hike, Santa in the Park.
- HVAC units for Olivedale have been ordered and work should start within a week. Will have about a 2 week shut down in November.
- Fire Tower from Sugar Grove to Alley Park-looking into safety & liability concerns
- Still have a full time and part-time position open in the parks, going to fill the full time position.
- Tractor club event gone for the foreseeable future, looking at new event for Alley Park. Possibly a BBQ competition/car show to add in its place
- No further word from interested property developer.
- 115 Acres/3 lakes across from Alley Park, Shelly Sand and Gravel. Interested or not? Possibility of making into a camping area for those who can’t travel too far
- New aeration system in Alley Park, grant money
- Chip and tar alley, Keller and Olivedale

6. Committee/Council Member Items
7. Executive Session
8. Next Meeting will be as needed for 4th quarter. Following Meeting will be March 2017.
9. Adjourn
   - Jon Motioned
   - Tom 2nd