Hornings Mills Park Board October 4,2017 6 p.m. Hornings Mills Park

Chair Webster called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. with all members present except Cory Boyd. We amended agenda item 5 Approval of Draft minutes to read Mar.21/17. The agenda was approved with a motion moved by Nancy and seconded by Jason. The minutes of the March 21/17 meeting were approved with a motion by Nancy and seconded by Janice. The committee discussed soccer pitches as business arising from the minutes and it was decided that if they were to be a park feature that they should be regulation size to allow possible league use. The first item under general business was the development of walking trails in Hornings Mills-Melancthon councillor Wayne Hannon proposed this as being a park board initiative with council support. We decided that the first step would be to obtain a current map of streets and municipal owned right of ways etc. Councillor Hannon would speak with Southgate (they have some trails in Memorial Park and through Dundalk) to acquire costing estimates for possible budget submission. The committee reviewed the success of the 2017 June fireworks celebration and plans are for a larger celebration for 2018 as this will be the townships 165th anniversary. The date will be June 23red. We discussed use of the diamond for 2017 and it was agreed that it needed to increase a little to aid in upkeep costs. It is currently at 10.00/use. The committee is very please with the grass cutting and maintenance by the Township works staff. There have been comments from community members also. It was agreed to send the staff a thankyou and ask that they continue the great job in 2018. The horticultural society will be planting 4 maples this fall and installing a commemorative plaque in honour of former member Marlene Heath. We discussed our wish list for 2018 and identified them as follows:

Soccer pitch (Nancy to look into grants for this)

Improvements to diamond

Picnic tables

Walking trail (park portion)

The financial report was presented with a balance of 4979.61 and 200.00 to come for baseball rentals. A motion was passed to remove a pine tree interfering with the ball diamond.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m with a motion by Jason and seconded by Nancy to meet again at the call of the chair.

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