

White Township Stewardship Committee
Regular meeting
6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 21, 2022

In person: Public Meeting Room, White Township office, 950 Indian Springs Road
Online access (GoToMeeting): <https://meet.goto.com/861641373>
Telephone access (GoToMeeting): 312.757.3121 Access code: 861-641-373
Meeting agenda

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Committee: Chairperson Barb Hauge ____; Vice Chairperson David Dahlheimer ____;
Secretary Sierra Davis ____; Jeff Geesey ____; Matt Klunk ____.

Staff (non-voting): Township Manager Chris Anderson ____; Recreation Director Ryan Shaffer ____; Recording Secretary Chauncey Ross ____.

(Acknowledge others attending in meeting room; identification of others attending online.)

Public Comment on agenda items

Guests may speak for up to 3 minutes. The chairperson may waive the limit.

Minutes

2 min

March 31 meeting

Mission of the Committee

The panel is being asked to first complete the three phases of the project and produce a stewardship plan that will oversee and protect White's Woods using best practices and expert recommendations. The panel then would study and complete a stewardship plan for White Township Recreation Complex, Kennedy-King Park, Getty Heights Park, Fourth Ward Park and the White Township Municipal Center in what remains of the 18-month timeline for the committee. (The board of supervisors retains the authority to extend the committee's mission if necessary.)

Chairperson Overview

5 min

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Discussion/New topics, speakers

Finding Common Ground:

Good work done by White Township Supervisors or staff in White's Woods - Dave 2 min

Good work done by Friends of White's Woods - Jeff 2 min

Possible liability caused by trees - Matt 2 min

Discussions on definitions from last meeting - Sierra 10 min

Stewardship Plans provided by Dave to Subcommittee 5 min

Township regulations for leashing dogs in parks - Ryan 5 min

Motion for Day/Time walk with Mike Wolf:

Motion to select a day and time to walk in the woods with forester Mike Wolf 5 min

Recommendations for additional speakers for Stewardship Subcommittee - All 10 min

Motion to discuss the SMEs to speak to the committee and to explore days and times for potential meetings.

Discussion of Trail System in White's Woods 5 min

Discussion of Wayfinding/signage 5 min

Map Activity 15 min

Discussion/Review:

- Community engagement assistance from Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Eberly College of Business, IUP Planning Department and others including Penn State Extension 15 min

- Indiana County Parks & Trails information on carbon capture – Chris A. 5 min

- Committee meeting schedule 5 min

Public comment on non-agenda items

Guests may speak for up to 3 minutes. The chairperson may waive the limit.

Announcements

Members' comments for the good of the order

Next meeting

6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 19, 2022, at White Township municipal building

Future Agenda Items:

Draft a definition of stewardship

Discussion of draft survey

Mission and Vision

Adjournment