

Park & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

January 12, 2015

The January 15, 2015 Park and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm.. Those present were:

Christopher Carroll	Chairperson
Danielle Dvorchak	Secretary
Donald Petrille	Member
Rob Nagele	Member
Bernadette Flanigan	Member
Kathleen Johnson	Member
Mike Zumpino	Member
M. Clare Edelmayer	Township Commissioner, Liaison
GlennAnne Chabala	Park & Recreation Director

1. Approval of the November 10, 2014 Minutes

Mr. Carroll asked for any questions or comments relative to the Minutes of November 14, 2014 which were distributed prior to the meeting. Mr. Carroll noted at the end of the Minutes it was noted he was at the Deja vu Marathon and he was not. He stated Mr. Zumpino was actually in attendance. Upon hearing no further comments, Mr. Zumpino made a motion to approve the Minutes. Mr. Nagele seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2. Public Comments

A. Thomas Donahue – BMX Track

Mr. Thomas Donahue of 41 Glenwood Lane, Levittown, and Mike Wohrle of 1105 Allentown Road, Lansdale gave a presentation for BMX tracks. There was discussion relative how a BMX track would be brought up from start to finish in regards to cost, material and location.

3. Re-Organization of Officers

Mrs. Chabala informed that Re-organization of Officers needed to take place.

Mr. Carroll asked for nominations. Mr. Petrille made a nomination that the officers remain the same. Mrs. Flanigan seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

4. Old Business

A. Playground Audit

Mrs. Chabala reported the audit took place by a Certified Safety Inspector hired by Leathers. She stated there was nothing found that would close the playground and some things have been handled. Mrs. Chabala explained one issue found was the chair made from a tree was considered an entrapment due to the arms. She stated once the arms were cut off it was no longer considered an entrapment. Mrs. Chabala advised that the

Superintendent of Public Works, Willard Troxel, has the list of what needs to be completed and they were currently working on it.

Mrs. Chabala mentioned the sanding issue was brought up to Leathers and they were asked if it would be alright to sandblast it. She stated they did not approve sand blasting but a power tool could be used. Mr. Zumpino asked if there was a dead line and Mrs. Chabala advised there was no dead line. Mrs. Edelmayer reminded there was discussion relative to contracting the sanding out and Mrs. Chabala stated there was no interest by contractors that had looked at the job. Mrs. Chabala advised the job had changed so the contractors may reconsider since it was no longer the entire playground.

There was discussion relative to Public Works making repairs to the playground and hiring a contractor for the sanding. Mr. Zumpino suggested a Carpenters Union for the sanding and Mrs. Chabala stated she would have her assistant Mr. Kaker check into that option.

Mrs. Edelmayer reiterated the playground was safe to use, the work was being done and the sanding would be completed as well.

B. Playground Celebration

Mrs. Chabala stated the celebration was scheduled for June 6, 2015. She advised conversation had taken place between herself and Mrs. Edelmayer and it was decided with the concession stand open punch and cupcakes would be served so there would be no competition with the concession stand. Mrs. Chabala noted there would be a party atmosphere with a face painter, bounce houses, camp staff there with crafts encouraging sign-ups for camps. She suggested a Commission could give a small welcome speech with history in an informal way. Mrs. Flanigan advised there was a time capsule buried in the playground. There was discussion relative to what was buried and possibly burying another one.

Mr. Zumpino questioned if there was going to be a maintenance fund generated and Mrs. Edelmayer advised at this time the Township can maintain the playground.

5. New Business

A. New Meeting Schedule for 2015

Mrs. Chabala presented the new meeting schedule. The 2015 meetings would take place as follows:

January 12; March 9; May 11; August 17 for Carnival planning; September 14; and November 9. Mrs. Chabala reminded all meetings would begin at 7:00 pm.

B. Carnival

Mr. Carroll noted the carnival was scheduled to run September 10th through the 13th.

C. Fall Fest

Mr. Carroll advised the Fall Fest was scheduled for Saturday, October 17th.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs. Chabala gave an update regarding the Community Center. She reported there was money in the budget for T & M to do a feasibility study to see if the Township can move forward.

Ms. Dvorchak asked if anyone was aware that Frog Hollow had constructed a Pickleball court. Mrs. Edelmayer explained the Commissioners would like to see a tennis court could be used as a Pickleball court with a designated time to see if there was interest. She stated with the Park Monitors would be there to check on usage. Mr. Petrille questioned if there was a limit and Mrs. Edelmayer explained if there were people waiting there was an hour limit.

Mrs. Chabala reminded the board members that did not respond to the volunteer luncheon to please respond to Colleen Tronoski as soon as possible.

7. CALL FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Carroll asked for any further questions or comments. There being no further business a motion was made to adjourn. The motion was seconded and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle Dvorchak
Secretary