

**MINUTES  
NORTH LEBANON TOWNSHIP  
PARKS & RECREATION BOARD  
October 4, 2011**

The meeting of the North Lebanon Township Parks & Recreation Board was called to order at 7:00 PM at the North Lebanon Township Municipal Building located at 725 Kimmerlings Road, North Lebanon Township. The meeting started with the pledge to the flag.

The following members were present:

Constance Snavely	Member
Jay Snavely	Member
Corey Hetrick	Member
Sheila Wartluft	Asst. Manager

There were no guests in attendance.

**MOTION: Motion was made and seconded to approve the September minutes. Motion carried.**

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

There were no comments from the public.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Dam Issue for flooding event**

Sheila stated she wanted to update the Board regarding the Emergency Action Plan for the lake. She explained it is posted here at the Township office and that we need to have a plan in place if six inches of precipitation in a 24 hour period is forecasted. She said that during the hurricane event they had continually checked various weather forecasts and these forecasts had not predicted the amount of precipitation we received. She explained they had called Fish and Boat and were not able to reach anyone as everyone was on vacation. Therefore, we basically went with the directive we had received from DEP for Irene which was permission to draw the dam down a half to one foot per day. She said there is confusion as to what we can and cannot do as we are not considered as a flood control facility as compared to some of the other water bodies. She said the concern is that the dam is not breached. She said on Wednesday the 7<sup>th</sup> of September is when they checked at noon, everything was fine. However, by 1:30 p.m. we had received a lot of rain. She said they did speak with the engineer and

the police department for traffic control in order to have a plan in place. At 3:45 they opened the valve 100%. She said there is a lot of concern regarding the spillway although this is what the spillway is designed to do. She said Ron Miller measured the spillway and he measured it at least two feet from the white line which measures that the dam is full. She said they left the valve open five turns and at 2:45 a.m. they opened it again. She further stated that by 8:00 a.m. the following morning everything was normal. She said as things improved they left it open a little bit and the valve was totally closed by Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:15 p.m. She reported they took some photos to show what occurred during this event.

### **Safety issue at Lake**

Sheila reported the Safety Committee recommended that they purchase two life vests for anyone who would be going out to check the lake. Sheila explained that during a weather event no one goes to check the lake alone.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Dam Inspection**

Sheila mentioned that Jay had asked about how the televising was going and she said she had spoken to a company called Underwater Consultants International Inc. who have done work for DCNR owned dams and facilities and work closely with DEP who refers customers to them. She said she had seen some sample pictures of their work and one looked similar to the problems we are having. Sheila reported she sent some pictures of the site and copies of our inspections. She said they seemed to think it would not be a too much of a problem although it may be expensive. She said she would hope to have some further information by the next meeting.

#### **DCNR**

Sheila explained she would be meeting with Solicitor Wolf and she believed they may need to bid several of the items out for the new park. She said another glitch is that the engineer who they have been working with was leaving his position and someone else would be working with them.

#### **Sports**

Sheila reported they have some new sports people and they are working to get the keys handed out to them. She said it will be soon be time to hand out the new agreements for next year. She further reported that New Covenant had called and asked to cut the field to their specifications. However, she explained to them that the fields are to be maintained by us. She said they went ahead and

cut it anyway. Constance explained she did not believe it is a PIAA requirement to have the grass cut in a specific way and she would be willing to check into it. Sheila sent them an email so there was written documentation of the directive.

Sheila mentioned that they were working on the budget and they were not expecting to receive any new fees in lieu of as there was little development at this time.

**Pertinent Issues**

There were no pertinent issues reported.

With there being no more business brought before the Parks and Recreation Board the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Bertin  
Recording Secretary