

**MINUTES
NORTH LEBANON TOWNSHIP
PARKS & RECREATION BOARD
FEBRUARY 3, 2004**

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 following members were present:

Evelina Krall	Chairman
Jay Snavely	Vice-Chairman
Gary Zelinske	Member
Steve Smith	Member
Clyde Ebersole	Member
Sheila Wartluft	Asst. Manager

At this time, Chairman Krall called for a motion to approve the January minutes.

MOTION: Motion was made and second to approve the January minutes. Motion unanimously approved.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public this evening.

NEW BUSINESS

Keystone Novelties – Fireworks

Sheila explained that every year we have a group from Lancaster called Keystone Novelties that's operates a stand at Rt 72 and Jay Street to sell fireworks. She received the annual letter from the gentleman in January stating that they are interested in using the land again this year. She went over the regulations and requirements, guidelines, etc., with them. She wanted to run this by the Board before she gives the final OK. Chairman Krall asked if they actually rent this space from the Township? Sheila said they do. Clyde asked if the Township designates where at the particular location they must set up their tent? Sheila said no, they usually put it at the same spot each year. He asked if there have ever been any problems with Heiseys because their driveway is right there. She said she thinks a few years back there was a problem with the stormwater run off in this area, but nothing else that she knows of. Jay asked if we didn't increase the price of the rent last year? Sheila said we did, but she has to double check the exact amount, she is not sure right now. The Board decided to keep the amount the same as last year. Chairman Krall said no one else is using the area and we are getting paid to have them there, so we may as well keep it the same.

Keystone Novelties – Fireworks(cont'd)

MOTION: Motion was made and second to allow Keystone Novelties to use the land at Rt 72 and Jay Street for the fireworks stand this summer. The rate will remain the same as last year. Motion approved.

Boy Scout Troop 439 Kochenderfer Church – Benches

Sheila explained that the boy scouts from Kochenderfers Church have done work for us before as part of their community service project. They have now painted the benches for the football field at Long Lane. She has some photos for the Board to show them the work that they have done. Chairman Krall said she had worked with this particular troop and knows that they are very active in the community. Sheila said it is nice to see the youth of the community contributing to the Township. She asked the Board if they would like to have her write a Thank You note to the troop? Chairman Krall said a thank you note would be great, as well as one of the photos hung in the lobby so the public can see what they have done and the fun they had doing it.

Pertinent Issues

First Sheila wanted to make sure that no one had any questions on the update that she handed out. Chairman Krall said she did have some questions, but due to the bad weather she really doesn't want to take up any more time than needed this evening. She asked if all of the engineers that were here to make the presentations knew what they were here to present, because they did do presentations on both the Moyer Property and the Comprehensive Plan. They really seemed to concentrate on the actually park plan versus the comprehensive part. Were they aware of what they were coming here to present? Sheila said that they were told that we were interested in updating our Comprehensive Park and Recreation and Open Space Plan. She thinks that they probably gave an extra pitch in hopes that they would get first "dibs" on the new park project. They know we received the funding from DCNR and figured they may as well give their pitch at the meeting. Chairman Krall said her next question concerns the Zoning Hearing Board. Do they get involved in the comprehensive plan at all? Sheila said she is not sure who is going to be involved in the plan this time. The last time it was the Park and Rec Board with input from the public through public meetings. Generally, when the Township does something, we try to get all of the groups involved, so this would probably be no different and this is why our projects usually take a little longer. Krall asked Sheila if she told the Board that the Park and Rec Board had actually narrowed the field down to two prospects instead of the three that they asked for? Sheila said they are aware of that. She wanted to explain that the reason the Board of Supervisors added Rettew on to the list is because they have all of the maps from the original plan done 10-11 years ago. At this point, the firms have until March 31st to give us a quote. Clyde said one of their concerns when they chose the firms that they did at the time was to decide if they were going to do the Comprehensive Plan as well as the park on Narrows Drive. This is another area that we are going to have to be concerned with. Chairman Krall said she would really like to see something happen with the Moyer Property so you could at least

Pertinent Issues(cont'd)

gain access to walk the area. Sheila said she really doesn't see anything happening with this land for at least 4-5 years down the road. Krall said that is a real shame. Sheila said she feels the same way, but unfortunately, time and money are the constraints right now. Clyde asked if anyone has been following the Coleman Park situation or the green space situation surrounding our Township? Chairman Krall asked him what exactly he is talking about? He said the cutting down of all the trees. Plus the fact that Lions Lake links to the Swatara Creek and he is concerned about the article in the newspaper that may be a little misleading. Is there any way we can get a map of the green space within our Township or the surrounding Townships? Is this available to us? Chairman Krall said she remembers Rettew and Associates referring to this in their presentation. Sheila said that is because they are doing the plan for Union Township. He still feels we should be able to get a hold of something of this nature for our use in this planning process. Chairman Krall said since Clyde is very interested in this, this would be a good project for him to research. He said he would see what he could do. He will get in touch with some of the engineers and see if they have anything they could supply. Clyde was reminded that we do not have miney to spend on this project, they would have to supply it at no cost.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to discuss.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Sheila wanted to let the Board know that the Park and Rec Board received the Fees-in-lieu of money from Conestoga Log Cabins for the land on Heffelfinger Road.

We are having a lot of problems with people wanting to ice fish, snowmobile, ice skate, anything that involves ice and the lake. We are going to have to be more diligent with posting signs. Right now the signs are down being repaired. Chairman Krall felt it would be nice to allow ice skating on the lake. Sheila said she is pretty sure that will never happen for a variety of reasons. One major reason being the insurance carrier and the fact that the lake has water moving constantly under the ice. Krall said that is something she did not think about. Sheila said she would check with DEP to see what their take is on this is.

MOTION: Motion was made and second to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM. Motion approved.

With there being no more business brought before the Recreation Board, meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina M. Haser
Recording Secretary