

**MINUTES
NORTH LEBANON TOWNSHIP
PARKS & RECREATION BOARD
June 3, 2008**

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	Chairperson
Jay Snavely	Member
Corey Hetrick	Member
Gary Zelinske	Member

MOTION: Motion was made and seconded to approve the May minutes. Motion unanimously approved.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

NEW BUSINESS

Swisher Memorial Fund

Sheila stated to date there had been \$2,970 collected for the foundation to be used for parks and recreation which was set up by friends and family in memory of Douglas Swisher. Sheila stated she would like to contact Mrs. Swisher within the next few weeks with some ideas of how to best use the memorial fund. She asked the board if they had any suggestions. To which some of the replies were the scoreboard at Lion's Lake or the possibility of an option for something at the new Lenni Lenape park.

Fireworks

Sheila stated she did receive payment from the fireworks people. She said they will be selling legal fireworks between June 21 and July 5th.

Pertinent Issues

There were no pertinent issues.

OLD BUSINESS

Athletic Agreements

Sheila stated there is nothing new but she will again be contacting the sports organizations. Discussion followed as to how to get the organizations to complete their agreements especially in light of the fact that there will be fees involved next year. Suggestion was made to check with the Solicitor to see what options might be available. Also suggestion was that if we have proof, in the way of a certified letter, that they have in fact received the document but have not replied we can prohibit them from using the facilities or charge them a late fee.

Park Rental Fees

Sheila stated she had sent a listing to the Board members of some of the costs for maintaining the parks. She stated the Board of Supervisors did approve the weekday rates of \$50 if they are finished with their picnic by 3:30 p.m. and an extra \$30 if they wanted to stay later. She reported one person had already requested a rental. She stated she wanted to show the Board a list of expenses and what would be involved if the rates were lowered. Discussion followed regarding the costs to maintain the parks and also weighing the difference between lowering the rent and possibly having more rentals versus continuing the existing rate and having fewer rentals. Sheila stated she would bring the Park and Recreation Board's requests to lower the rental rates on a trial basis before the Board of Supervisors.

Eagle Scout Project

Sheila stated work was continuing on the butterfly garden at Lion's Lake by the gazebo.

Softball Tournament

Sheila said they had requested to use the park but now do not wish to use the kitchen facility this year and they don't have a count of how many teams will be participating. She further stated they have not yet paid any fees. Discussion followed as to how to proceed with this issue and what requirements they might make for future events. Suggestions were made that if they don't want to pay the fees for the pavilion rental that they would not be allowed to use the fields. This would allow these dates to be open for rental to the general public.

Rails to Trails

Constance reported that the last meeting was cancelled. She stated at the next meeting they were planning to work on a mass mailing and information packet

to send to primary property owners first. The next step would be to knock on doors. She stated the next meeting would June 18th at 3:00 p.m.

Pertinent Issues

Constance stated since there was a complaint regarding the ability to walk to the pavilion, she questioned whether there should be handicapped parking at the pavilion.

Walking path and soccer field

Sheila reported that Dave had mentioned how happy the soccer people were at how the soccer field turned out with the drain tile. She also stated that Dave had mentioned how many people are using the newest walking path which was provided by grant money.

She stated they had met with the teachers at Ebenezer School because they were the only school in the district which did not have a walking path. They are proceeding with their walking path too.

With there being no more business brought before the Park and Recreation Board the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Bertin
Recording Secretary