

**MINUTES
NORTH LEBANON TOWNSHIP
PARKS & RECREATION BOARD
November 8, 2006**

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:

Steve Smith	Chairperson
Jay Snavelly	Member
Heather Pederson	Member
Constance Snavelly	Member
Sheila Wartluft	Asst. Manager

Also present were two Rettew associates and Eric Brinser.

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

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

NEW BUSINESS

Comprehensive Plan Discussion

Tim Staub from Rettew and Associates stated they would discuss the master site plan and the needs, participation results from the survey, the kids and the public meeting.

Lauren from Rettew and Eric Brinser, landscape artist, showed their tentative plans and ideas for the Leni Lenape Park and what might be included such a sledding hill, pavilions with kitchen facilities at the larger ones, paved running/jogging trail in the non-wooded area, parking from the main access, sports fields with bleachers, and restrooms. In the wooded area there are non-paved trails, Frisbee golf, one open-air pavilion, a learning area, open-air theater, and parking. Discussion followed regarding the proposed plans and the possibility of deleting or adding to certain aspects of the proposed plan over a period of time. Sheila stated there definitely should be a maintenance area. Lauren asked whether the plan should show lighting to which the reply was

that it should be in the master plan even if it is not part of the initial construction. Mr. Brinser stated the next step would be to do a computerized print out with the final step as a rendering to take to the Board of Supervisors.

Lauren stated they had talked about a regional sports complex and a skate park and whether this would be included in the master plan. It was suggested that it should be left in the long-term plan and that we may need to keep it as flexible as possible in anticipation of future needs. Mr. Staub said they might want to start looking at neighboring municipalities for getting some monies and other opportunities. Sheila stated she would like to see something in the comprehensive plan in regard to fees in lieu of issues.

Mr. Staub demonstrated their long-term master plan for connectivity starting with green ways or trail systems going outside the Township. He showed some stream improvement areas that would be green ways. He showed in detail green ways and trail connections to various parks and school areas so that there is access to the parks. Some of the areas included sidewalks and others had a designated walking area in part of the street. He stated there might be grants available for some of these areas.

He stated the draft plan is in place, the connectivity map needs to be completed, as well as an executive summary with an implementation table. They would like to submit the plans to DCNR and county planning. Mr. Staub said Rettew would like to complete the executive summary, submit the plan to both of those entities, get their comments back, and then come back to the Park and Recreation Board. The final meeting would be a meeting with the elected officials.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business discussed.

With there being no more business brought before the Park and Recreation Board the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Bertin
Recording Secretary