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**PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING**  
**July 25, 2016**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Felix called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM at the Dickinson Township Municipal Building located at 219 Mountain View Road in Mount Holly Springs, PA 17065.

**ROLL CALL** - The following were present for the meeting: Molly Baehr, Diana Hykes, and Adam Felix.

**VISITORS** – Marge Metzger and Nate Merkel.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Those present recited the pledge of allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Adam Felix motioned to approve the Agenda as written. Molly Baehr seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Molly Baehr motioned to approve the May 23, 2016 minutes. Adam Felix seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT** None

**FINANCIAL STATUS**

The Financial Report, as prepared by Marge Metzger on July 20, 2016 was reviewed. Adam asked about the process for applying for grants, which typically occurs in the spring of each year.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Ice Cream Social – July 28**

The ice cream social will be held at the township building in the meeting room. Diana Hykes will pick up the ice cream and ice. The members will set up at 5:30 PM. Manager Barrick will provide a large cooler, along with coolers from Diana and Molly. Marge prepared a sign in sheet for all attendees. Diana expressed her appreciation and thanks for the sign that was placed at the Swartz property along Route 34, which was a good location.

**2. Craft Festival – September 3**

Diana Hykes has heard from nine vendors who will be present for the craft festival. The time was set for 8 AM – 2 PM. A flyer will be placed on the township website.

**3. Harvest Festival – October 22**

Adam Felix will make a list of the activities from last year as a starting point. Marge will provide a list of inventory of items from prior years.

**4. Nathan Merkel – Applicant for Board Member Position**

Nathan was present and said he recently moved into Dickinson Township and wants to get involved. He questioned what all the Recreation Board does. The Board listed the events that are held annually. Mr. Merkel gave a brief description of his background in source water protection and working with communities. He grew up in Blossville and is familiar with the area. He likes speaking and helping where needed.

**Adam Felix motioned to recommend that the Board of Supervisors appoint Nathan Merkel to serve as a member of the Park & Recreation Board. Diana Hykes seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

Nathan Merkel said he has a Farm All Cub tractor that he could bring to the Harvest Festival. His father has an Oliver tractor. He suggested the children could have their pictures taken with the tractors. He also suggested having a hayride. The Board agreed, as long as the hayride is approved by Manager Barrick.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**1. Stuart Park**

Nothing to report at this time.

**2. Lindenwood Park**

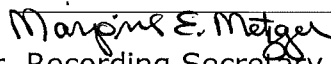
Adam Felix ran some numbers on grading and said the grading appears within reason for a typical park project. There is a possible wet area he suggested be left alone (as a post meeting note, this location is a suitable location for a native garden, butterfly garden, or birdhouse area, and could be used as an educational part of the park). He suggested placing the parking, pavilion, and children's area near the front of the property near the road. Two baseball fields could be near the parking area, and three soccer or field hockey fields could be placed further out. Many other layouts are possible. Madden Engineering did some preliminary work on this property. It could take up to a year to get the erosion control permit. He suggested funding through grants could be considered in the spring and design work could be done. Adam suggested Manager Barrick or the Board of Supervisors should provide some direction on how to proceed.

**3. 2017 Budget & List of Events**

This item will be placed on the next meeting agenda to be discussed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Adam Felix motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 PM. The motion was seconded by Diana Hykes and passed unanimously. The next meeting will be August 22.**

Respectfully submitted,   
Marjorie E. Metzger, Recording Secretary

