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PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE
REORGANIZATION & REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 27, 2014

PRESENT: Jane Mitchell, Molly Baehr, Beth Kikla
ABSENT: Bill Rodier, Stephen Luckie
VISITORS: Denise Gembusia

CALL TO ORDER

Jane Mitchell called the meeting to order at 6:15pm at the Dickinson Township Municipal Building located at 219 Mountain View Road in Mount Holly Springs, PA 17065.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Those present recited the pledge of allegiance.

NOMINATION & ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON FOR 2014

The floor was opened for nominations of Park & Recreation Chairperson for 2014. Molly Baehr nominated and motioned for Jane Mitchell to serve as Chair of the Parks & Recreation Committee for the 2014 calendar year. The nomination and motion was seconded by Beth Kikla. The floor was closed to nominations and the motion passed unanimously.

NOMINATION & ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRPERSON FOR 2014

The floor was opened for nominations of Park & Recreation Vice Chairperson for 2014. Chair Mitchell nominated and motioned for Beth Kikla to serve as Vice Chair of the Parks & Recreation Committee for the 2014 calendar year. The nomination and motion was seconded by Molly Baehr. The floor was closed to nominations and the motion passed unanimously.

NOMINATION & ELECTION OF SECRETARY FOR 2014

The item was tabled due to lack of a nomination.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Molly Baehr motioned to approve the agenda as submitted. Beth Kikla seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

I. November 25, 2013 Park & Recreation Regular Meeting Minutes.

Molly Baehr motioned to approve the November 25, 2013 Park & Recreation regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Jane Mitchell and passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL STATUS

Treasurer Gembusia reported that the Park & Recreation fund balance was now at \$77,759.33. A check in the amount of \$4,650.00 was received early last week from Cumberland County for the Land Partnership grant. It

was also reported that the website was fixed and will be updated within the next week. The newsletter has been scheduled for distribution in March and October of 2014.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Introduce and welcome new member, Beth Kikla.

Ms. Kikla shared her personal and professional experience with the committee members and vice versa. Chairwoman Mitchell welcomed Ms. Kikla and thanked her for volunteering to serve on the Park & Recreation Committee.

2. Review of events calendar for 2014.

A list of events for the 2014 calendar year was provided. The committee reviewed the dates.

3. Report on bowling night.

Ms. Baehr reported that 60 people attended the bowling event held on January 15th from 6:00pm until 8:00pm. The invoice was received from Midway Bowling which reported 114 total games and 46 shoe rentals at \$1.00 each.

4. Updates on skating night and gardening seminar.

Ms. Baehr stated that the skating night will be held on February 20th from 6:30pm until 8:30pm at the Midway skating center. The gardening seminar will be held on March 22nd from 2:00pm until 4:00pm at the Dickinson Township Municipal Building. Annette MaCoy from Penn State Extension will be discussing pollinator-friendly gardens and bees.

5. Fishing derby updates.

Treasurer Gembusia said she had spoken to Rob Robinson, who provided the committee with a list of potential donors. Mr. Robinson requested that the Park and Recreation committee members solicit donations from the list of past sponsors. The list was reviewed and each committee member stated the businesses they were willing to visit. The 2014 fishing derby is scheduled for May 10th from 7am until 12pm, rain or shine.

OLD BUSINESS

1. There are now four (4) vacancies on the Park & Recreation Committee.

Four vacancies remain on the Park & Recreation committee. The 2014 secretary will also need to be appointed.

2. Updates on Stuart Park/Barnitz Mill.

Chairwoman Mitchell reported that Mr. Rodier made contact with David Smith from the Cumberland County Historical Society. The two gentlemen are working together to gather information on Barnitz Mill for the Historical Society's 2015 publication.

3. Planning of Tree Planting Day 2014.

A meeting with Chairwoman Mitchell and township staff is scheduled for Wednesday, January 29th to discuss the tree planting. The meeting will help determine whether or not to order bare-root or balled and burlap trees, which tree species to order, and if Hackberry trees will be available. The tree planting is scheduled for April 26th from 8am until approximately 12pm.

4. Discussion on purchase of new mobile sign and other possible items.

Keystone Signs provided a quote of \$2,405.00 in May of 2013 for a mobile sign. The Board of Supervisors approved the purchase of a mobile sign in 2014, but asked the committee to perform due diligence and secure at least three quotes before making a purchase. Chairwoman Mitchell stated she would work on obtaining quotes.

5. Next meeting: Wednesday, February 19th at 6:00pm.

As advertised at the beginning of the year, the next Park & Recreation meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 19, 2014 at the Dickinson Township Municipal Building.

ADJOURNMENT

Molly Baehr motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:28pm. The motion was seconded by Beth Kikla and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Gembusia

Acting Secretary