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**PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING
September 25, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Merkel called the meeting to order at 5:02 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: Nate Merkel, Molly Baehr, and Jen Luebbers.

VISITORS – Marge Metzger, Shireen Farr, Jason Black, Glenn Kelso Jr. and Brandon Peterson.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Vice Chairwoman Baehr motioned to approve the Agenda as written. Chairman Merkel seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chairwoman Baehr motioned to approve the August 28, 2017 minutes. Chairman Merkel seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT

Shireen Farr resident of Dickinson Township, residing on Yellow Breeches Road and employed by Cumberland Valley, Cumberland Area Economic Development Corporation as the Chief Operating Officer was present.

Ms. Farr was interested in the Barnitz Mill history and having a vision to be able to make the mill accessible to the public with the help of her expertise.

Glenn Kelso, Jr. said a study had been done and that parts of the building are unsafe. He thought the study was done at the end of 2016.

Chairman Merkel said we would look into it and asked Ms. Farr if she would be interested in joining the Park and Recreation Board. Ms. Farr didn't know if this would be a conflict of interest with her job and being able to help with the mill, but would consider it. He thanked Ms. Farr for coming to the meeting.

FINANCIAL STATUS

The Financial Report, as prepared by Marge Metzger on September 25, 2017 was reviewed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Lindenwood Park

Jason Black and Brandon Peterson from Carlisle Little League were present to discuss a proposal for multipurpose fields at Lindenwood Park. A lengthy discussion was made for different ideas and grants on the use of Lindenwood's 40 acres. Chairman Merkel made a motion to meet with Larry Barrick, Jason Black, Brandon Peterson and Glenn Kelso, Jr. to better discuss the ideas, Vice Chairwoman Baehr seconded the motion and it unanimously passed. Mr. Black and Mr. Peterson will prepare visual drawings of proposed layouts.

A discussion was made on Dog Signs and Dispensers for both Lindenwood and Stuart Park. Chairman Merkel motioned to put a sign, dispenser and bags at each of the parking lots at Lindenwood and Stuart Park. Vice Chairwoman Baehr seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

2. Harvest Festival – November 4, 2017 1:00PM to 3:00PM

Chairman Merkel will provide straw, tractor, wagon and steps for the hayride. He will also pick up the supplies that we need. The Board decided to use up all the crafts they have at the Township without purchasing anything new. Vice Chairwoman Baehr is picking up the donated apples and pumpkins at Clair's Orchard, the Thursday before, but she will not be able to attend the Festival. We believe with the Park and Recreation members, Dickinson Township staff and Family we should have enough help.

3&4. Stuart Park Pavilion Rentals Non-profit and Facebook Page for Parks and Recreation

Chairman Merkel attended the Board of Supervisors meeting on September 18, 2017. The rental of Non-profits was approved by the Board of Supervisors, as long as they provide a 501c3 documentation and a Certificate of Insurance. The \$15 security deposit will still be required.

The Board of Supervisors approved going forward with the Facebook Page. Vice Chairwoman Coplen said she would provide suggestions and assistance with the Facebook page. The Facebook page would be separate from the Township's website. It should help in awareness of the events that are going on in the Township by the Park and Recreation Board.

Jen Luebbers motioned for Chairman Merkel to go forward with setting the Facebook page up and that all three of the Park and Recreation members will be involved in administering. Vice Chairwoman Baehr seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

2. Stuart Park (Update)

Nothing to report at this time.

3. Lindenwood Park-Master plan

Nothing to report at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Merkel motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:10 PM. The motion was seconded by Jen Luebbers and passed unanimously. The next meeting will be October 23, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer M Luebbers
Recording Secretary