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**PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING**  
**April 23, 2018**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Merkel 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: Nate Merkel, Shireen Farr and Jen Luebbers. Molly Baehr was absent.

**VISITORS** – Marge Metzger.

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

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Vice Chairwoman Farr motioned to approve the March 26, 2018 minutes as amended. Chairman Merkel seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT**

None

**FINANCIAL STATUS**

The Financial Report, as prepared by Marge Metzger was reviewed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Resume for new board member**

The Resume for August Ginter was reviewed by the Park & Recreation Board.

Chairman Merkel motioned to approve the Resume for August Ginter to be presented to the Board of Supervisors. Jen Luebbers seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **1. Fishing Derby – May 12, 2018**

The Park & Recreation Board went over all the things that are needed to finalize the Fishing Derby. Which include volunteers, prizes and stuffing the bags. We are using white boards this year and starting earlier to pull prizes. We had a great turn out last year, so we are stuffing 130 bags, and Marge Metzger is getting those items ready. Nate has ordered trophies and the fish. The nets will be put up Friday before the derby and if for any reason it would need cancelled that decision would be made Friday also. The Park & Recreation Board discussed involving another organization next year, like the Boy Scouts. Nate received the permit for the derby. The supplies from the Township Building will be loaded on Nates trailer at 6:00Am on Saturday, as well as stocking the creek with the fish. Glenn Kelso has called various local businesses in Dickinson Township and has gotten us much needed monetary donations to cover expensive Jen Luebbers has made calls to local businesses for gift cards.

### **2. Barnitz Mill Grant**

The Mill was approved for the Cumberland County Preservation Opportunities Watch list. The Park & Recreation Board discussed the next steps they could take for the Mill restoration to move forward. The Board would like to survey community members to see how the residents of Dickinson Township feel about Barnitz Mill or other parks and recs priorities.

Vice Chairwoman Farr shared information on grant possibilities, the Cumberland County land partnerships grant program; and South Mountain Partnership grant. She suggested that the next likely step would be to conduct a feasibility study that either available program would consider and eligible use. The Board agreed to prepare a survey that can be provided to the Dickinson Township residents at the Ice Cream Social in July, placed on the Township's website, and included in the Fall Newsletter to collect input on the communities' ideas and concerns with regard to the possibility of restoring Barnitz Mill. The Board members will submit input for consideration for the survey at the next meeting.

Vice Chairwoman Farr mentioned a preservation presentation being made by Cumberland County Historical Society on May 10, 2018 from 6-8 PM, where the Barnitz Mill will be mentioned.

### **3. Facebook**

Jen Luebbers is still working on Facebook and has added Assistant Manager Marge Metzger and Glenn Kelso to help with the administration.

### **4. Ice Cream Social & Cruise-In**

The Park & Recreation Board decided to go with Sarah Keckler the owner of Twirly Top again this year for the four tubs of ice cream and toppings. Shireen recommended that we advertise through the Cumberland Valley Events page.

### **5. Stuart Park**

There is a grant opportunity with Cumberland County at this time that is due June 29, 2018. The Board would like to use it for Stuart Park for a well and restrooms, which could also help with the Barnitz Mill if the next step is decided.

The Park & Recreation Board would have to ready a cost of how much a restroom building and well would cost to know the amount of the grant needed and to be able to present it to the Board of

Supervisors. The first course of action would be to talk to Manager Barrick with the steps that need to be done to be able to present it to the Board of Supervisors at the May 21, 2018 meeting.

If decided that this year is not feasible, then we would start the project to ready the grant for next year 2019.

Chairman Merkel motioned to approve to move forward with the grant process to be presented to the Board of Supervisors and to involve Manager Barrick to gather information for the restrooms, installation of the well and connection to the septic system, and to review the existing site plans for necessary revisions. If the BOS approves the grant application process, then a meeting will be scheduled with Stephanie Williams of the Cumberland County grant program. Vice Chairwoman Farr seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

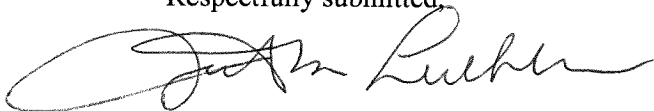
**6. Lindenwood Park**

Nothing to report at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Chairman Merkel motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 PM. The motion was seconded by Jen Luebbers and passed unanimously. The next meeting will be May 29, 2018.**

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer M. Luebbers  
Recording Secretary

