

PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 23, 2015
BEDFORD TOWNSHIP HALL
7:00 PM

PRESENT: John Mohr, Chairperson, Joan Schockman, Sally Dunn, Garnet Francis

ALSO PRESENT: Larry O'Dell, Jake Sorosiak

EXCUSED: Connie Velliquette

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman John Mohr, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Francis to approve the agenda with the addition of 1 item to New Business j. Safety Concerns and Proposals for Douglas Road Entrance and to Indian Creek Park and White Park, seconded by Dunn all ayes, Velliquette excuse

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 9, 2015: Motion by Schockman, seconded by Francis, all ayes, Velliquette excused.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

TREASURER'S REPORT: Total expenses of \$801.40, Total Park funds \$114,453.43. Motion by Francis, seconded by Schockman. Francis aye, Schockman aye, Dunn aye, Mohr aye, Velliquette Excused.

PRESENTATIONS: N/A

COMMUNITY ED: Jake invited us to watch the Community Ed basketball games on Saturdays at Monroe Road School.

FRANCIS FAMILY YMCA: Discussion and agreement to remove Francis Family YMCA from the agenda. Toby Sass is leaving the YMCA. If his replacement would like to attend, we will place it back on the agenda.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: Ron Koch, President of The Board of Education will be attending some of our meetings and will bring us up to date on any school issues. Mr. Koch mentioned that this year is the 50TH Anniversary of the High School.

OLD BUSINESS:

CARR'S GROVE PARK

SAMARIA PARK-

WHITE PARK-

PARMELEE PARK
INDIAN CREEK PARK

All of the above listed parks are quiet due to the cold weather and there are no issues at this time that need to be addressed.

ANSTED PARK- Francis reported that we are waiting on new bids to come for the improvements to the park.

TRADE FAIR: Discussion as to the giveaways and it was decided that a pickle ball racket and soccer ball would be the prizes for the drawing. Francis will print the Dog Park surveys, Dunn is getting the brochures printed, and scheduling for manning the booth will be set at our next meeting.

LUTHERAN CHURCH GRANT: Francis is looking at pricing for shelters that we might be able to purchase if we can receive a grant from the church.

DOG PARK SURVEY: One survey has been returned that was obtained from the website.

SAFETY CONCERNS AND PROPOSALS FOR DOUGLAS ROAD ENTRANCES TO INDIAN CREEK PARK AND WHITE PARK: Dunn is working with Randy Pierce at the Road Commission as to the speed limits, marking of the lines on the road for crossing, and possible solutions for a safe way of crossing Douglas Road between White park and Indian Creek Park. She has a prepared notebook with pictures and explanations of ideas.

NEW BUSINESS:

ACCESS TO RECREATION INITIATIVE GRANT – Discussion as to applying for grant funds for shelters or handicap playground equipment. O’Dell suggested we might consider making a presentation to the township board to keep them informed of our accomplishments this year and plans for the future.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS: None

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:05 PM BY MOHR

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
JOAN SCHOCKMAN, SECRETARY, 2-23, 2015

