

PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 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, Dan Spoerl & Carey Rakich, 3-B Baseball

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 3 B Baseball under Presentations, seconded by Dunn, all ayes. Velliquette excused.

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

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion by Francis, seconded by Dunn, to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Francis, yes. Dunn, yes. Schockman, yes. Mohr, yes. Velliquette Excused.

PRESENTATIONS:

3-B BASEBALL- Dan Spoerl & Carey Rakich from 3-B Baseball, reported on the number of teams/players that will be playing at White Park-at the time of the meeting over 800 players will be participating in various age groups. The Go Fund Me project is under way to restore the scoreboards, they hope to install a video security system. They also asked permission to install a new batting cage. Motion by Francis to approve the construction of a new batting cage at White for 3 B baseball, seconded by Schockman, all ayes, Velliquette excused. Discussion followed on the need for more parking.

COMMUNITY ED: Jake reported that he and Josh Walters at the YMCA will be working together on adult basketball and football this year. Community Ed is also pairing with the Y for swim lessons. The Walk Bedford on the night of the fireworks will be at 6:00 at Indian Creek and White Parks.

FRANCIS FAMILY YMCA: Dennis O'Leary and Josh Walters are the contacts. Mohr will ask if either is interested in attending our meetings.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: N/A

OLD BUSINESS:

CARR'S GROVE PARK: No Report

SAMARIA PARK-Francis will check into why no hot water in the community room (Roger checked it and found the pilot light was out, relit it). Mohr is working on possibly rebuilding the horseshoe area at Samaria and White.

WHITE PARK-on April 1st or the 13TH, Bedford Alliance will do a clean-up of the park.

PARMELEE PARK- The Skate Park is open; a neighbor sent an email with some concerns regarding the need for more trash barrels and porta potties. Mohr will speak with the resident and also with the disc golfers.

INDIAN CREEK PARK: Dunn is waiting to hear from the Road Commission regarding their meeting.

ANSTED PARK-Francis reported that the bids to complete the trail are out. They will be opened on April 9 at 2:00 at Township Hall. Bids for grasses will be later as the best time to plant is in September. We are waiting to hear from the attorneys regarding the farming by Mr. Haise.

FIREWORKS: Donations to date are over \$2000. We received \$300 from Gloworks. Motion was made by Francis, to sign a 3 year contract with Gloworks, seconded by Dunn, all ayes. A discussion was held regarding Indian Creek Zoo possibly bringing over the camel or other animals for the time after the park walk and before the fireworks begin.

GRANT APPLICATION: Francis submitted the grant application to St. Luke's Lutheran Church and will be sending the Access to Recreation Grant in before the 31st.

NEW BUSINESS;

Drawing for the soccer balls and pickle ball racket was held. Francis will contact the winners.

BUDGET MEETING WITH THE TOWNSHIP BOARD/COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE- The meeting will be on May 31st at 6 p.m. and June 2nd at 7:00 p.m. will be the meeting for voting and approving the budget.

DISCUSSION ABOUT THE DOG PARK SURVEY-Schockman will have a formal report at the next meeting.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS-NONE

Meeting Adjourned At 8:30 pm By Mohr

Respectfully Submitted
Joan Schockman, Secretary, March 26, 2015

