

PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
Bedford Township Hall  
8100 Jackman Road  
June 13, 2016  
7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: John Mohr, Chairperson, Connie Velliquette, Sally Dunn, Michele DeLaney, & Garnet Francis.

ALSO PRESENT: Jake Sorosiak, Community Education and Larry O'Dell, Board Liaison.

EXCUSED: None

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 was made by Dunn, seconded by DeLaney to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Dunn, seconded by Velliquette to approve the minutes of the May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 Park Board meeting. Motion carried.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The monthly check for the cell tower rental at Carr Park has been received.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion was made by Francis, seconded by Velliquette to approve the Treasurer's report with expenses totaling \$1595.98. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Francis, Velliquette, DeLaney, Dunn and Mohr. Nays: None. Excused: None.

PRESENTATION: **Piper Buehrer**, and her parents Jeff and Rachel: She introduced herself and said she is an 8 year old Douglas Road student and will be singing the National Anthem at the Fireworks.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION: Sorosiak was happy to report all the summer programs have begun. He also let the Board know Cheri Reed will be retiring at the end of July and he is resigning as of the end of June. He has taken a position with the Air Force. He thanked the Board members for all they've done for him and for Comm. Ed.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

**Carr's Grove Park**: St. Paul's Church has complained of litter being left at the ball diamonds. Velliquette will be checking it often to see if she can learn which group is responsible.

**Samaria Park**: This past weekend was Samaria Days and the Strawberry festival at the Senior Center. All proceeds from the booths at Samaria Park will benefit the American Legions Post 192 in Temperance. Francis reported Gail Roth and her volunteers from the Post did a wonderful job of cleaning up the area. Also, the water was tested at Samaria Community Center last week and is in compliance.

**White Park**: DeLaney reported 3B has voted to include Fall Ball in their program. She is meeting with someone on Thursday to discuss the fence issue for the additional parking area. The Township maintenance workers are still complaining of trash issues at White Park. DeLaney will get the message out to the baseball teams through 3B to have the kids pick up after a game.

**Concession Stand Bathroom Issues:** DeLaney is having a difficult time trying to find someone who will work on the grinding pump. Mohr will see if Decker (builder) has a name of someone to call.

**Parmelee Park:** Ethan from AquaTec has suggested having all the drinking fountains pulled and the equipment cleaned out in the fall.

**Skateboard Park:** Mohr handed out the estimate he received from America Ramp Company to repair the skateboard park. It was too expensive, so he is investigating another option.

**Indian Creek Park:** It's been very busy. Everything looks good here.

**Ansted Park:** The farmer has started cultivating the center area. As soon as he has it completed, Vern will come out to plant the wild grasses. Mulch has been delivered to all the parks. Francis will call to set up delivery of the stone.

**Adopt A Park:** Nothing new to report.

**Signage and crosswalk at Indian Creek & White Parks:** Dunn is meeting with the Road Commission on Wednesday to discuss filling in the culvert and putting in solar lights.

**Fireworks:** The use of the golf carts has been set up with Joe Garverick. The Board appreciates not only him volunteering the use of the golf course, but the fact that he drops them off and picks them up each year. The Sheriff's department will have an officer driving through the area throughout the event and the Board plans to ask the Township Ordinance Officers to also be on duty that evening. Francis reported \$5700.00 has been collected so far in donations (the most ever received); a thank you ad will go in the paper.

NEW BUSINESS: Francis wanted the Board to know Todd Bork has contacted the Clerk's office requesting the information needed to run as an Independent for the Park Commission on the November election ballot.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: **Dan Przyojski**, 1223 Borg: He commented on the broken teeter-tooter at Carr Park and asked questions about Temperance Days. The Board suggested he contact Gail Keane.

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS: Each Board member expressed their appreciation of Jake Sorosiak, wished him well in his new endeavor, and thanked him for his service to our Country.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. by Mr. Mohr.

Sally Dunn  
Park Board Secretary

Nancy Gin  
Recording Secretary