

PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Bedford Township Hall
8100 Jackman Road
August 22, 2016
7:00 P.M.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Larry O'Dell, Board Liaison

EXCUSED: Sally Dunn

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 Velliquette, seconded by DeLaney to approve the agenda with the removal of the item under New Business and the addition of the MRPA application. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by DeLaney, seconded by Velliquette to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2016 Park Board meeting as presented. Motion carried.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Nothing to report.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Francis made the Board aware the budget numbers on the Revenue and Expenditure report are not correct. Manning will correct them and the board will receive an amended report next meeting. Motion was made by Francis, seconded by Velliquette to approve the Treasurer's Report with expenses totaling \$3439.72 and a Total Park Fund Balance of \$55,063.10. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Francis, Velliquette, DeLaney, and Mohr. Nays: None. Excused: Dunn. Included in these expenses was \$656.30 for parts to fix the fountain at Parmelee Park plus extra parts to have on hand. Francis explained the fountains are not in good shape and are going to need to be worked on this winter.

PRESENTATION: None.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION: Ron Koch was visiting the meeting and mentioned the schools have posted the position of Community Education Coordinator.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Carr's Grove Park: Velliquette reported there are still two bolts missing on the wave machine, the walkway to the Gazebo needs either to be weeded or round-up applied, some bushes are in need of trimming by the firepit and there are some dead bushes that need to be removed. Francis reported the broken table in the Community Center, the kitchen faucet, and the faucet in the women's bathroom have all been repaired. She also mentioned there has been a problem lately of renters leaving the air on in the Comm. Centers. The Clerk's Department will highlight this information and mention it to the renters when they pick up their keys.

Temperance Day issue – Francis will contact Keane because even though there will no longer be activities set up in Carr Park on Temperance Day, the insurance company still needs the Township to submit the proper paperwork.

Samaria Park: There are no major issues, just a few bushes that need to be trimmed in the front.

White Park:

Streetlights issue – There are three streetlights on the east side of the road near the Douglas Road entrance and none by the Consear entrance. Discussion followed as to how to add light to these two areas, where new lights could be placed, and why more lighting is needed. Francis will contact Consumer's to see what options are available and what the costs would be.

Parmelee Park:

Skateboard park issue – There has been some interest by residents in having the Skateboard Park reopened. Mohr and Velliquette would like to get some young volunteers to help them paint over the graffiti. Francis will check with Detective Hooper to see if he has had any leads on the vandalism.

Indian Creek Park: The recent Heart of Hope 5K run was very well attended.

Ansted Park: The Park Board has a 4:00 pm meeting set with Dave Wehner on Aug. 24th to walk Ansted Park to make sure all the work for the grant has been completed. Francis, Velliquette, and Mohr plan to be there.

Adopt A Park: No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

MRPA membership: The Board decided to wait to renew this membership until after the November election and the new board is in place.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None.

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS:

Mohr – Thanked everyone for attending.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. by Mr. Mohr.

Sally Dunn
Park Board Secretary

Nancy Gin
Recording Secretary