

Tredyffrin Township Parks and Recreation Organizational Meeting

Date: January 12, 2011
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Tredyffrin Township Building

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Board of Supervisors: John DiBonaventuro

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Discussion of position of Budget Administrator – Carreen moved that the position be removed from the slate, seconded and approved.

Jack moves that the nominations be closed. The motion was seconded and approved.

Unanimous approval of slate:

Chairman – Sean Moir
Vice Chairman – Jack Trimmer
Secretary – Beth Brake

Moved that organization meeting be adjourned; seconded; approved.

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The minutes of December 8, 2010 were approved.

I. Financial Report: No report was reviewed.

II. Old Business:

Deer Management Update: Officer DiMaio presented the deer report. See attached count. JD recommended that the Board schedule interviews of the hunting clubs in March and reach a decision in May. The interviews will be conducted separately from the regular Board meeting. It was agreed that a list would be prepared outlining what the Board will require of the clubs selected, including provisions specifying the format of the report to be used by the club when presenting information to the Board and how infractions by the club will be handled.

Video Surveillance for Wilson Park: Jack will talk with a security firm about pricing for camera installation. Jack Trimmer will gather information and make a report at the next Board meeting. Hilliary will ask Steve Norcini to estimate the cost of vandalism at Wilson Park over the past three years. The township insurance company has incentive grant money available that could be used for this purpose. JD suggested the Board get a proposal together and present it to the Supervisors for a decision. The proposal should include camera sites. (e.g. the tot lot, the pavilion, the common area of the bathroom)

Guidance for the Foundation for Parks Priority Items:

- Connecting path at LAD park for the Chester Valley Trail – Steve Norcini and Hilliary Mallory need to provide estimates to the Park Foundation. Careen noted that the Board and the Park Foundation would jointly present a proposal to the Supervisors to receive approval for Foundation funding of the path.
- Fencing along the stream at Mill Road Park – Park Board members need to make a recommendation for position, length, type of fencing and cost
- Replace sand with mulch in several playgrounds beginning with Strafford Park then Teegarden and Friendship – Steve Norcini will provide an estimate to the Park Foundation
- Security camera at Wilson

The Board will look into using the \$5,000 Staples' grant for fencing at Mill Road Park. Hilliary will give Steve the linear feet and approximate site of the fence. JD suggested that we look into in-kind donations as well.

Judges Tartaglio and Blackburn agreed to assign individuals who are required to do community service to the Park Board. Officer DiMaio will be the liaison. The Board should let them know of events where we could use assistance, like the fall leave collection and spring weeding.

III. New Business

EAC – Reduced Mowing: Members from the EAC were supposed to attend this meeting and discuss areas in Wilson Park where the township can reduce mowing for a meadow effect. They have been working with Steve Norcini on proposed sites. Keep this in new business for the next Board meeting.

Rain Garden: The EAC has grant money to install rain gardens at two proposed sites.

Field Scheduling Meeting: Hilliary reported that the meeting was held on Feb. 9 in Keene Hall. Everything proceeded smoothly. The township is no longer scheduling West Valley Park – the Woodlynde School will be handling that.

IV. Reports

Police Report: Officer DiMaio reported that there were four incidents in November in Wilson Park, including an individual or group of individuals who chopped down seven trees and left them there; a leashed pit bull bit a person – animal control confirmed that vaccinations were current and a father and son caused a disturbance arguing loudly in the park. The December incidents included kids playing on the ice, and unruly parent at a Conestoga Generals game and people playing basketball at Woodbine Park at 5:30 pm.

Public Works Report: Steve was not available to give a report as he and his staff have been plowing.

Recreation Report: Hilliary reported that winter rec is going well. She is the process of updating the summer camp forms. The township will not be using any school district fields and will not be working with them on any programs.

V. Committee Reports

No reports were given.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Brake