

Tredyffrin Township Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes

Date: December 12, 2007

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Tredyffrin Township Building

Park Board Attendees: Jack Edson, Jack Trimmer, Bruce Jones, Careen Wright, Jim Pettia, and Joe Barks

Township Attendees: Charles Puelo, Hillary Mallory, Tom Tartaglio

Guests: Doug Dietrich

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Mr. Edson as vice chair.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of October 10, 2007 were reviewed and approved unanimously as revised.

I. Financial Report: No report was given.

II. Old Business

Dog Park: Mr. Puelo reported on the ongoing feasibility of a dedicated dog exercise area. Five alternative configurations were considered as the area at the northeastern end of Teegarden Park. After discussion, by unanimous consensus, two configurations were favored: plan B which provided a compromise of size and configuration, and plan D which provided the maximum total area in the shape of a rectangle measuring 275 feet by 175 feet. Mr. Jones proposed that next steps would be: (i) finalize cost and requirements of the two alternatives; (ii) bring that information back to the Park Board for approval; (iii) hold public discussions on the plans; (iv) present to the Board of Supervisors the results of public discussion of the plan for a dedicated dog exercise area along with the Park Board recommendation on the best plan. In the course of discussion, the idea of a leas law (which requires all pets on lease within all parks) being linked to creation of a dog park was rejected by the Park Board, meaning that the current regulation should remain unchanged at this time.

Deer Management: Mr. Puelo reported on the results of the deer management program. Mr. Tartaglio commented that auto accidents related to deer in 2007 had increased.

Public Works Report: Mr. Puleo reported on the following topics: (i) the annual plan to shut down bathrooms down December 14 at Wilson Farm Park; (ii) the finish of fencing around all of AAPG; (iii) purchasing two signs to educate about wetlands at Wilson, to be completed by year end; (iv) the planned operations for winter to trim trees and brush at Wilson and re-furbish all playground Wilson sandlots as well as change two sandlots to rubber (L.A.D. and Teegarden likely).

Parks & Recreation Report: Mrs. Mallory reported on the following topics: (i) Winter Recreation; (ii) field scheduling; (iii) the concert program for summer 2008. Discussion ensued on advertising of the 2008 concert program and the number and type of concerts.

III. New Business

Chester Valley Trail: Mr. Trimmer summarized the discussion held at the recent public meeting.

Westover Park: The Park Board discussed a recently established formal working committee for the planning for Westover Park. The chair asked Mrs. Wright to serve on this working committee, representing the Park Board.

2008 Nominating Committee: Mr. Pettia recommended keeping the same officers in 2008 as served in 2007. By unanimous vote, the Park Board approved the following slate of officers for 2008: Chair, Tami Schofield; Vice-chair, Jack Edson; and Secretary, Bruce Jones.

Committee Discussions: There were no formal committee reports.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2008 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Jones