

Tredyffrin Township Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes

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Date: September 12, 2007

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Tredyffrin Township Building

Park Board Attendees: Tami Schofield, Jack Edson, Jack Trimmer, Bruce Jones, Sean Moir, Careen Wright, Jim Pettia

Township Attendees: Charles Puelo, Hillary Mallory, Tom Tartaglio

Guests: Joseph Yannell (SDMA), Dave Tollefson (Frisbee Golf), John Abbott (deer management), Cheryl Bittner

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Schofield.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of July 11, 2007 were reviewed and approved unanimously.

I. Financial Report: No report was given.

II. Old Business

Frisbee Golf: Discussion began with a review of the Board of Supervisors' recent action, which was to approved a four-hole course at Wilson Farm Park. Mrs. Schofield noted that there is an issue concerning the area to be used, so installation is not proceeding presently. The issue relates to the definition of "passive" areas with the Environmental Action Committee (EAC). The next step is to investigate the area and determine an acceptable are for the installation.

All Abilities Playground: Mr. Puelo reported that the installation is finished. Mrs. Schofield reported that it looks great, and there will be a grand opening on the next weekend.

Deer Management: The Board received a resident's request to include the Croton Road area in the program because of the prevalence of deer. Mr. Abbott spoke to need. Mr. Yannell spoke to the feasibility of including the area in the current program. After further discussion, a motion to include the Croton Road area in the deer management program as soon as practical was unanimous approval.

Dog Park: Mr. Jones reported on the ongoing feasibility of a dedicated dog exercise area: (i) After further investigation of the Berwyn Squash and Racket Club (BSRC) location, the feasibility and cost considerations of this location were concluded to be unfavorable; (ii) It was Mr. Jones' recommendation that the Board consider a

demonstration project wherein a temporary installation of a dedicated dog exercise area could address current needs as well as prove the feasibility of a longer term plan. Potential locations for a demonstration were Mill Road, Wilson Farm and Teegarden. Some Board members felt that Wilson Farm Park's open space needed to be retained, left passive, and that it should be removed from consideration. Mr. Edson suggested two locations at Teegarden, which Mr. Jones will investigate. The next action was to be finalizing a preliminary plan for such as demonstration and having that plan reviewed by this Board prior to an open meeting with citizens about such a plan.

Police Report: Mr. Tartaglio reviewed the reported police incidents for July 2007 and August 2007.

Public Works Report: Mr. Puleo reported and discussion ensued on: (i) His department's recent priorities have been the All Abilities Playground installation and Wilson Farm Park; (ii) A tree dedication for the Tredyffrin 300 (T300) celebration needed to be resolved; (iii) A bike lane on Chesterbrook Road instead of the current has marks would have to be funded by the Board of Supervisor's action.

Parks & Recreation Report: Mrs. Mallory reported and discussion ensued on: (i) She has been busy with T300 preparations; (ii) Registration has begun for Adult Computer Classes in the fall and spring.

III. New Business

Budgeting 2008: Mrs. Schofield led discussion on Mr. Norcini's recent memo to the Park Board regarding this subject. The original master plan for Wilson Farm Park, it was noted, recommended additional construction, such as pavilions (covered picnic). Mrs. Schofield concluded that immediate priorities appeared to be: #1, the maintenance building; #2, improvement to the Shire pavilion; and #3, the roller hockey facility. The Board reviewed some of the improvement needs for the Shire pavilion. All Board members were asked to advise Mr. Norcini of any other budget items for 2008 consideration before the end of the week.

Committee Discussions: There were no formal committee reports.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for October 10, 2007 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Jones