

MINUTES

RECREATION AND PARKS BOARD

LOWER ALLEN TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

November 19, 2008

The following were in ATTENDANCE:

RECREATION AND PARKS BOARD

Scott Duncanson
James Kaiser
Susan Parry
Robert Pelles
Greg Mahon
Richard Grove

Donna Paul, Township Representative
Trudy Metzler, Recording Secretary

Mr. Duncanson called the November 19, 2008 Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Parks Board to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Mahon arrived following approval of Minutes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of August 27, 2008 Minutes

Ms. Parry moved to approve the August 27, 2008 Minutes as submitted. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of September 24, 2008 Minutes

Ms. Parry moved to approve the September 24, 2008 Minutes as submitted. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of October 23, 2008 Minutes

Ms. Parry moved to approve the October 23, 2008 Minutes as corrected. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ari Unger – Scout Project

Ari Unger advised the Board that he has completed his Eagle Scout project at the Lower Allen Township Community Park and updated the Board on the project.

Discussion ensued.

Feature Park of the Month – Allendale and Creekwood

Mr. Duncanson reported that the depressions have been filled and will be leveled and seeded in the spring.

Mr. Duncanson also reported that the new message board has been installed.

LIAISON REPORT – COMMISSIONER H. EDWARD BLACK

There was no Liaison Report.

RECREATION AND PARKS STAFF REPORT

Activities

Mrs. Paul reported the following:

1. The current fee schedule would be maintained for 2009. Staff recommended a \$25 non-refundable security deposit per event for softball and soccer tournament field rentals. Discussion ensued.

Ms. Parry moved to support Township Staff's recommendation of a \$25 non-refundable security deposit per event for softball and soccer tournament field rentals. Mr. Pelles seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

2. Soccer fields should be ready for play in the fall of 2010.
3. Yetter Ball Field will be a premier ball field when completed.
4. A \$15,000 grant from DCNR was awarded for the Master Plan for the passive park behind the Township Building.
5. 2009 Township Budget

Parks Operational Staff

On behalf of Mr. Chianos, Mrs. Paul reported the tasks worked on/completed in October.

OLD BUSINESS

Business Plan and Long Term Goals – Fee Schedule

It was decided to review the fee schedule for the Fernlawn Pavilion following the installation of electricity.

NEW BUSINESS

2009 Recreation and Parks Board Meeting Dates

Mr. Pelles moved to approve the following dates for 2009 Recreation and Parks Board meetings and park tours:

January 28	May 27	August 26
February 25	June 10 – Park Tours	September 23
March 25	June 24 – Park Tours	October 28
April 22	July 22 – Park Tours	November 18

Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

It was noted that all Park Tours will begin at 6:00 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs. Paul advised the Board that the Board of Commissioners has received the Recreation & Parks Board’s Priority List.

Mrs. Paul further advised that the light is operational at Highland Park.

Mrs. Paul advised the Board of the following events scheduled in 2009:

- Easter Egg Hunt – April 4 (10:00 am until 11:00 am)
- Gardeners Gathering – April 25 (9:00 am until 1:00 pm)
- July 4th Community Picnic – July 4 (noon until 4:00 pm)
- Music in the Park – July 26 (1:00 pm until 7:00 pm)

ADJOURN

The Recreation and Parks Board Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

*******The next Recreation and Parks Board Meeting
will be held at 7:00 p.m. on
Wednesday, January 28, 2009*******