

Parks, Recreation, and Shade Tree Advisory Board

Minutes of Tuesday, November 25, 2014

A meeting of the Parks, Recreation, and Shade Tree Advisory Board was held on Tuesday, November 25, 2014, at the Plymouth Township Community Center. Present were members Bill English, Kim Pennington, Lynda Lawrence, Pat Ianelli, Barbara Thompson, and Joe Stem; Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Phil Brady; and Board Secretary Rosemary Winterbottom. Board Member Bridget Sudall was not in attendance.

Chairman Bill English called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

1. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2014

A motion to approve the minutes of the October 28, 2014, meeting was made by Joe Stem. This motion was seconded by Kim Pennington and unanimously approved.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GUESTS AND VISITORS

There were no guests or visitors present.

3. DISCUSSION OF PACKET MATERIALS

The monthly report for October-2014 was reviewed. Phil Brady noted that it was a typical month, with some attendance up (the pool) and some attendance down (the Fitness Center).

Phil showed the Board pictures from the Father/Daughter dance, the Lego Movie in the pool (150 attendees), poolar plunge, princess party, and Silver Sneakers Thanksgiving buffet.

4. OLD BUSINESS

A. General Department

B. Community Center/CC Park

1. Promotions – November, December

Phil Brady reported that the promotion for November of 10% off

the membership fee when signed-up or renewed on November 15, 2014 brought in \$64,000 of business. Fifty-seven (57) new annual passes were purchased on this date as part of this promotion.

The promotion for December will include a 2014 rate for signups up until December 31, 2014.

2. Pool Pak Installation -- Update

Phil Brady reported that the second pool pak still needs some adjustments. It is expected that these adjustments will be completed by the end of the year.

3. Foul Ball Netting Fall Installation

Phil reported that the foul ball netting on the softball field is completed. The foul ball netting on the baseball field is approximately 40% completed.

4. Small Group Training Preparations

Phil reported that the movement of the equipment began today. The painters will start on Friday.

C. Parks Maintenance/Parks Issues

1. JFK Park Fence and Netting

Phil Brady reported that this work has been completed.

2. Field 1 Fencing Bid Installation

Phil noted that the new fencing posts have been installed. It is expected that the fencing will be done next week.

3. Black Horse Park Donation

The new backstops are installed. The bench has not been delivered yet. A dedication ceremony is to be scheduled.

D. Wetherill Park

1. PECO Grant Opportunity

Phil Brady reported that it is expected that this grant will be announced in December.

2. Farming Meeting

A recent meeting was held with Gary McKeown of Maple Acres Farm on Narcissa Road. It was agreed that Gary will use his equipment to correct some drainage issues as well as additional maintenance issues.

E. Programming

1. Winter Focus -- Registration

Phil Brady stated that the Winter Leisure Visions is being mailed out.

2. Bob Bigelow – March 5, 2015

Phil reported that Bob Bigelow will making a presentation at the Plymouth Township Building on March 5, 2015, at 7 PM. Mr. Bigelow is a former professional basketball player who presents a practical approach to youth sports. A board member from each youth organization will be asked to attend this presentation.

3. Aquatic Programs

Phil Brady reported that attendance at aquatic programs has increased as a result of recent changes made to various programs.

5. NEW BUSINESS

It was noted that two Board positions will need to be filled since Lynda Lawrence has completed her term and Bridget Sudall will be moving from the township. The Board has appreciated the contributions Lynda and Bridget have made to the Board.

6. MISCELLANEOUS

No items were discussed.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion for adjournment was made by Kim Pennington and seconded by Lynda Lawrence.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Tuesday, January 27, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,
Rosemary Winterbottom

Rosemary Winterbottom, Secretary