

Parks, Recreation, and Shade Tree Advisory Board

Minutes of Tuesday, May 28, 2013

A meeting of the Parks, Recreation, and Shade Tree Advisory Board was held on Tuesday, May 28, 2013, at the Plymouth Township Community Center. Present were members Bill English, Kim Pennington, Pat Ianelli, Barbara Thompson, Bridget Sudall, and Lynda Lawrence; Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Phil Brady; Council Liaison Maria Weidinger; and Board Secretary Rosemary Winterbottom. Board Member Joe Stem was not in attendance.

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

1. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2013

A motion to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2013, meeting was made by Lynda Lawrence. This motion was seconded by Pat Ianelli 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 April-2013 was reviewed by the Board. Phil Brady showed the Board members pictures from Breakfast with the Easter Bunny, Ridge Park students celebrating Earth Day at Harriet Wetherill Park, the Fishing Derby, and the Montgomery County Senior Games.

4. OLD BUSINESS

A. General Department

1. Service and Devotion Monument

Phil Brady reported that this project will be advertised for bids this week, and that the bids will be opened in June. It is hoped that the monument can be completed by Veterans Day.

Phil Brady also showed the American flags that are being sold.

B. Community Center/CC Park

1. Pool Pack Replacement Consideration

Phil Brady reported that Rick Carbo is working with an engineer on this project. The pool pack replacements will provide better temperature control and better air quality.

C. Parks Maintenance/Parks Issues

Phil Brady reported that the parking lot has been lined and mulch has been put down at East Plymouth Valley Park. Additionally, mulch was put down at Black Horse Park.

Kim Pennington asked Phil to investigate a running water issue in the restrooms at East Plymouth Valley Park

D. Wetherill Park

1. Conservation and Management Study

a. ANCA Report

Phil Brady noted that the ANCA report had been distributed. It was noted that some new programs had been suggested, and ideas had been presented for use of the buildings on the site.

b. Next Meetings

1. June 4 – Public Meeting 2
2. June 25 – Final Presentation

In addition to these meetings, the Steering Committees will meet on June 5, 2013.

2. Grant Application – CFA Act 13 Recreation Funding

Phil Brady reported that it is planned to apply for this matching grant, which could possibly be used for a nature-themed play area.

## E. Programming

### 1. Summer Camps – Registrations

Phil Brady reported that some of the day camps are already filled. Registration for all other camps is going well.

### 2. Plymouth Township Day – June 1, 2013

#### a. Ticket Sales

Phil Brady explained that it is planned to sell tickets in \$5 sets this year. It is hoped that this will alleviate a long line for ticket sales.

## 5. NEW BUSINESS

### A. Use of Drop Box

Phil Brady explained the planned use of a drop box (electronic file sharing) that would be utilized in place of e-mailing documents. Board members would be invited to join when this has been setup.

### B. Council Liaison Report – Maria Weidinger

Council Member Maria Weidinger reported on topics from the recent Plymouth Council Meeting as follows:

- 1) A proposal for townhomes to be constructed on a portion of the Driscoll property was denied;
- 2) Council members and many township police were in attendance at a ceremony in Washington, D.C., during Police Week;
- 3) Bids are out for pothole repairs and street lining;
- 4) The expansion of Ridge Pike from Lafayette Street to Chemical Road will begin in 2014,
- 5) Plymouthtowne Apartments will be building 40 more apartments; and
- 6) Plymouth Meeting Friends School will be adding another structure on their property.

6. MISCELLANEOUS

Lynda Lawrence explained that it had taken her several hours to complete the questionnaire for P-W Ice Hockey that was needed for the yearly meeting with the Board. Lynda will review the questionnaire packet to see if it can be streamlined.

Kim Pennington suggested that she would like to see the township have a Market Day.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion for adjournment was made by Kim Pennington and seconded by Bridget Sudall. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Tuesday, July 23, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Rosemary Winterbottom*  
Rosemary Winterbottom, Secretary