

Parks, Recreation, and Shade Tree Advisory Board

Minutes of Tuesday, September 24, 2013

A meeting of the Parks, Recreation, and Shade Tree Advisory Board was held on Tuesday, September 24, 2013, at the Plymouth Township Community Center. Present were members Bill English, Kim Pennington, Joe Stem, Pat Ianelli, and Barbara Thompson; Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Phil Brady; Council Liaison Maria Weidinger; and Board Secretary Rosemary Winterbottom. Board members Bridget Sudall and Lynda Lawrence were not in attendance.

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

1. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2013

A motion to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2013, meeting was made by Pat Ianelli. 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 August-2013 was reviewed. Phil Brady reported that one-month passes are still popular and that after-school programs are doing well. Phil showed the Board photos from Cruise Night (cars, trucks, etc.), swim lessons, and construction of the Service and Devotion Monument.

4. OLD BUSINESS

A. General Department

1. Service and Devotion Monument

Phil reported that construction on the Service and Devotion Monument has begun. The dedication ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, November 9, 2013, from 2-4 PM. A reception in the Community Center will follow the ceremony.

2. Youth Group Paperwork Review

Phil Brady distributed copies of the revised questionnaire to be completed by youth groups in preparation for their annual meeting with the Board. It was noted that the questionnaire can be completed on-line and it is anticipated that this revised format should be easier to fill out.

B. Community Center/CC Park

1. Pool Pak Replacement Bid Timing

Phil Brady reported that over 12 contractors attended the pre-bid meeting.

2. Playground Repairs

Phil Brady reported that the blacktop has been resurfaced at both Alan Wood and Black Horse parks. Work continues on the Community Center playground.

C. Parks Maintenance/Parks Issues

Phil reported that the grills have been removed from East Plymouth Valley Park.

D. Wetherill Park

1. Conservation and Management Study Report

Council members are still reviewing the Conservation and Management Study Report.

2. Grant Application – CFA Act 13 Recreation Funding

Phil reported that the grant application has been submitted. Karen Franck anticipates that a decision on this grant will be made by November.

E. Programming

1. Civic Green Athletics

Phil Brady noted the Civic Green Athletics is an organization of special needs youth who will utilize some township facilities for their activities. Joe Hunter from Colonial Soccer will be working with this group.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Council Liaison Report – Maria Weidinger

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

- 1) mosquito spraying in areas of the township continued into early September as mosquitoes have tested positive for West Nile Virus in the area;
- 2) budget meeting dates are scheduled for October 21 and October 28, with a vote on the budget scheduled for November 18;
- 3) the police department received a \$40,000 grant from the PA Liquor Control Board to support law enforcement activities and trainings;
- 5) a robotic system was utilized to inspect aging sewer pipes; and
- 6) council members and police attended events on Sept. 13, 2013, commemorating the one-year anniversary for fallen officer Brad Fox.

6. MISCELLANEOUS

No items were discussed.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion for adjournment was made by Barbara Thompson and seconded by Joe Stem.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Tuesday, October 22, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,
Rosemary Winterbottom, Secretary