

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
Park & Recreation Board Meeting
March 6, 2008**

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Board was held on Thursday, March 6, 2008 at the Township Building. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ann Marie Moore at 6:30 p.m. Other board members present were: Bob Huebner, Ruth Scadding, Phyllis Marron and Vicki Wooters.

Others present: Mark Miller – Director of Public Works
Bryan Delmonte – Conservancy Board
Sue Cioletti, Ben Rhorbeck – Historical Commission
Thom Clapper – Board of Supervisors
Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Ann Marie Moore called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ruth Scadding moved to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2008 meeting. Phyllis Marron seconded the motion. There was no discussion or public comment. The motion passed.

3. YMCA TREES

The purpose of starting the meeting at 6:30 p.m. was to discuss possible locations for the trees the YMCA is going to donate. Mark commented that there will be 240 trees. Forty of the trees will be used along Airport Road to screen the new YMCA building from the road. Thom mentioned that he thought the total trees was 300 because of the additional trees the Y contractor took down. The Park Board feels it would be best if they and the Conservancy Board split the remaining trees 50/50. Some areas they discussed as possible locations were:

- a. The Tot Lot in East Goshen Park
- b. Pathways in the park
- c. The new pavilion in the park
- d. By the soccer fields in the park
- e. Some may be put in neighborhood parks, i.e. Pin Oaks, Marydell Grand Oak, Mill Town, etc.

Mark will put stakes in the Tot Lot to mark the locations he is suggesting for trees. Bryan said the Conservancy Board wants to concentrate on areas that need reforestation.

4. STAFF REPORTS

Frank - His written report stated that the Fitness and Nutrition program has had about 16 classes. Enrollment was 30 children and attendance has been about 90-95%. Miranda Redmond did a great job with this project. Frank invited her and her family to the April 3rd meeting. He would like the Park & Rec Board to give her a plaque and recognize her parents and siblings who helped her with this project.

The Spring Newsletter is at the printers. Petite Soccer is just about filled for Spring. The New York City trip scheduled for May 3 has only 4 seats left. Frank is preparing to be a speaker at the PRPS state convention on March 10. East Goshen will be hosting the April meeting of the Chester County Recreation Council. The Amerikids will help once again at the Egg Hunt. The Board of Supervisors made a small amendment to the Applebrook golf agreement concerning the elective use of golf carts instead of caddies during the May outing.

Mark reported that they did some mowing in Applebrook and removed several dead trees. They cleaned around the Mill House and poured concrete pads for benches and trash cans.

Tennis Courts The 3 front courts will require \$5,240 worth of necessary repairs. A protective membrane was originally only installed on the back courts because of the cost. The back courts are about 24 years old and the front courts are about 28 years old. Ruth Scadding would like an estimate to replace the 3 front courts. Vicki feels the tennis tag fee should be increase by \$1. Phyllis moved to make the repairs totaling \$5,240 now, but inform the Board of Supervisors of the possible replacement of these courts in the future. Mark should provide them with an estimate to replace the 3 front courts with a membrane. Bob seconded the motion. The motion

passed unanimously.

5. LIAISON REPORTS

- a. Conservancy Board – Bob reported that the Board will have their spring planting on Saturday April 19 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.
- b. Deer Committee – They were visiting sites on Sunday with hunting groups to see about harvesting deer. Mark received the bait stations and modified them.
- c. Historical Commission – Ben reported that the Commission is working on ongoing projects. March 15 is National History day at Immaculatta. June 7 is Living History Day and celebration of the 200th birthday of the Plank House. They continue to discuss possible locations to store the Conestoga Wagon, but it will probably stay at the Blacksmith shop since Ben already includes it in his demonstrations. They were considering the purchase of software that would transcribe audio into written form. However, it can only focus on one voice so, it can't be used for an interview format. Mark is waiting for Ginnie Newlin to tell him what kind of Chestnut Tree should be planted at the Plank House.
- d. Board of Supervisors – Thom reported that they approved limited deer hunts in 4 areas. The Deer Management Committee and the hunt clubs are to give the BOS specific details. They approved the bait stations and the mice tubes to kill ticks. The tubes will be sold to the residents at cost. The Line Road trail – The BOS received a letter from the Applebrook association stating that they don't want the trail along Line Road. Some want it to go only so far. The Board decided to take the trail around the corner on Boot Road almost to Shirley Fox's house. The Board is in favor of paving instead of wood chips. The BOS will approach Willistown Township about the light at Paoli Pike and Line Road. East Goshen has the money for this but will apply for a grant. It may take 8 to 9 months to hear from the Corps of Engineers about the bridge in Applebrook. The BOS is having discussions about making the Deer Management Committee a permanent ABC. They may change the name to the Wildlife Committee to include geese.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. None

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Bob Huebner made a motion to adjourn and Ruth Scadding seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comments. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned and the members went to another room to prepare the goodie bags for the egg hunt. They finished at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary

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