EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP Park & Recreation Board Meeting April 1, 2010

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Board was held on Thursday, April 1, 2010 at the Township Building. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore at 7:00 p.m. Other board members present were: Bob Huebner, Ruth Scadding and Vicki Wooters.

Others present: Mark Miller, Director of Public Works

Frank Vattilano, Director of Recreation Thom Clapper – Township Supervisor Ben Rohrbeck –Historical Commission Jane Fava – Conservancy Board Ruth Kiefer - Recording Secretary

Arthur Jones – Resident

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Chairman called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. MINUTES

Bob moved to accept the minutes from March 4, 2010 as corrected. Ruth Scadding seconded the motion. The motion passed.

3. EXPENDITURES

The Board reviewed the expenditures for March 2010. They still had a question regarding payment of \$20 for dues. Frank will check into it. Vicki asked if the revenues/income sheet could be included in the monthly report. Frank will make the request.

5. STAFF REPORTS

A. Frank reported that the Mature Driver Class starts this week. He scheduled field trips for the summer camp. Regarding application for a grant for the path at Paoli Pike and Line Road, he met with a representative of DCNR who said the request must be presented as a conservation project. Frank, Ann Marie and Ruth Scadding met with Jane Fava who gave valuable input on ways of implementing particular conservation aspects for the grant. Jane referred Frank to Jess Benjamim as a resource for this project. He will meet with her next Tuesday. Ruth thanked Jane for her time and the exchange of information. As a result of the meeting, Ruth and Ann Marie feel there should be another meeting of all ABCs in addition to the January meeting. This meeting would be for discussing projects and getting input from other ABCs that may be impacted. They selected Saturday, May 15, 2010 for this meeting. Jane agrees with this idea. Frank reported that the Egg Hunt went very well. He thanked the board members and Board of Supervisor members who helped. He had 31 volunteers and needed everyone. He thanked Mark for providing equipment. Beneficial Bank and TD Bank donated \$500 each for the egg hunt and want to donate to the Community Day. Frank sent "thank you" notes to everyone and gave a gift to Joyce Tarsi who was the Easter Bunny.

Frank reported that he received a phone call this week about a possible soccer tournament next weekend at the field on Line Road. Buses for the Cherry Blossom trip on April 11, 2010 will pick passengers up in the East Goshen Park. There are about 70 people going. The Cape Cod trip is filled. Frank did not have the time to go to the state recreation conference this year. Also, he was contacted by Radnor Township to run a positive Discipline workshop for the camp staff but he was unable to do so because of a busy schedule. Newsletters are in the mail. The Community Day is all set for Sat. June 26th

B. Mark reported that the restrooms are open and all locks installed. The tennis courts are ready. Mark contacted PennDOT about the crosswalk on Paoli Pike between the two parks. Based on their recommendations, he will recommend to the BOS to use 2 pedestrian signs at the crosswalks. Since they cannot be up for 24 hours straight, he will put them up in the AM and he will ask the police to take them

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down at 9 PM each night. Thom commented that when he was in Ocean City, MD, they had permanent "Pedestrian Crossing Ahead" signs installed before the crosswalks. Bob voiced concern about cars driving too fast on Paoli Pike during Township events. He suggested that next year everyone should be forced to use the original entrance to East Goshen Park. There appeared to be some confusion about where to enter and created the possibility for an accident.

6. ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED

- A. Passive/Active Park definitions Board members were given copies of the Township Code and Park and Rec Rules to review for detailed discussion at the next meeting.
- B. National Land Trust The NLT will be making a presentation to the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, April 13 at 8 pm.
- C. Newsletter Ann Marie is feels that; since the Newsletter was downsized, not all ABCs should be required to provide an article every month. Vicki reported that Rick Smith responded to Ann Marie's email and said the Park & Rec activities have 4 pages and each ABC (including the Park & Rec Board) has one page each month.

7. LIASION REPORTS

<u>Conservancy Board</u> – Bob asked Jane when the NLT grant would be received and how the timing would effect the projects they want to do. Jane said it should be received later in April and there shouldn't be a problem as long as they get estimates, etc. quickly.

<u>Historical Commission</u> - Ruth reported that they need volunteers for the Living History Day and Town Walk. Ben reported that they have as open position. They named a past board member as an ex-officio member with a certain task to perform. On page 75 of the East Goshen book, there is a photo of some residents with the Honor Roll Board. The Honor Roll Board lists WW II veterans and is from about 1945. Gary Althouse was doing an inspection on a dwelling in Milltown and found it there. The real estate agent said the Township could have it, so it is now the property of the township.

<u>Board of Supervisors</u> – Thom reported the NLT meeting is Tuesday April 13; Clean Up Day is 4/17; the new Wawa on West Chester Pike opened today 4/1; resumes to be on the Advisory Board are due by 4/15; the new sewer billing went into effect today 4/1; applications to be on the Township Garden Club are due by 4/15; and in 2009 the township received \$850,000 in grant money.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS

A. None

9. CORRESPONDENCE/REMINDER OF NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION

A. None

10. BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS

- a. Bob suggested that at all events there should be no candy containing nuts. Everyone agreed.
- b. Vicki feels that Mr. Jones should be allowed to pursue the possibility of getting donated plantings for the spring house in Applebrook.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Vicki moved to adjourn the meeting. Bob seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary

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