

Park Commission
Agenda
Thursday, August 2nd, 2012
7:00 PM

- A. Call to Order
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Ask if anyone is recording the meeting
- E. Approval of Minutes from July 5th, 2012
- F. Chairman's Report
- G. Director's Report
- H. Old Business –
 - 1. Park Tour reminder for September meeting
 - 2. Liaison responsibilities reminder
- I. New Business
 - 1. Review founding Mission Statement ordinance
 - 2. Workshop dates
 - 3. Budget
- J. Liaison reports
- K. Any Other Matter
- L. Public Opinion
- M. Adjournment

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EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
July 5, 2012

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, July 5, 2012 at the Township Building. The meeting was called to order by Township Supervisor, Thom Clapper at 7:00 p.m.

Commission members present were:

Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore
Heidi Karpa
John Jamgochian
Erich Meyer
PJ Viloski
Joseph Zulli

Others present were:

Jon Altshul, Director of Finance
Frank Vattilano, Director of Recreation

A. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Thom led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Thom asked for a moment of silence to remember our Armed Forces.

Thom asked if anyone would be recording the meeting. There was no response.

B. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Thom explained that, because the votes last month were for President and Vice President and should be for Chairman and Vice Chairman, the elections need to be done over.

Thom asked for nominations for Chairman. Ann Marie nominated Heidi. PJ seconded the nomination and moved to close the nominations. The motion passed unanimously. Heidi Karpa was elected Chairman.

Thom asked for nominations for Vice Chairman. PJ nominated John. Ann Marie seconded the nomination and moved to close the nominations. The motion passed unanimously. PJ Viloski was elected Vice Chairman.

Thom asked for nominations for Secretary. Ann Marie nominated John. Erich seconded the nomination and made a motion to close nominations. The motion passed unanimously. John Jamgochian will serve as Secretary.

At this point, Thom turned the meeting over to Heidi.

C. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

D. FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Jon Altshul, Director of Finance, sent out a report to the Commission members and stated that they should start to work on the 2013 budget. He would like to have the proposed budget by August 20, 2012. Also, he asked to be informed of any large events planned for the rest of 2012.

The Commission members were unclear about the Public Works expenses. Heidi will request a copy of the 2012 budget and will distribute it to the members for their review.

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. The Chairman noted that the minutes of June 7, 2012 were approved.

F. OLD BUSINESS

1. Community Day – The Commission Members reviewed comments of Community Day and discussed ways to make improvements for next year. The Commission approved Saturday, June 22, 2013 as the date for next year's Community Day. Planning will start in January 2013.

1 **G. STAFF REPORTS**

2 1. Frank Vattilano, Director of Recreation, thanked the Commission members for all they did to get
3 volunteers and all the work they did at the Community Day.
4 He reported that the Summer Camp started this week. He voiced concern about the loss of the printed and mailed
5 Township Newsletter. There has been a decline in participation in most events; i.e fishing had 30 participants last
6 year, none this year; soccer only had 4 participants this year. The commission members understand and will
7 consider the possibility of mailing a flyer for only Park and Recreation but there may not be funding for it.
8 The Commission will try to lessen the amount of time Frank had to devote to Community Day by starting to plan
9 for the 2013 event in January and possibly get an intern to help him.

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11 **H. NEW BUSINESS**

- 12 1. Liaisons – The following assignments were made:
13 Supervisors – Ann Marie and John
14 Planning Commission – Joe
15 Municipal Authority – Heidi
16 Conservancy – Betsy
17 Historical – Erich
18 CDC – PJ
- 19 2. Community Day Fireworks Photo Contest – Heidi will send everyone the link to view the photos
20 that have been received. A vote will be taken at the August meeting.
- 21 3. The Commission decided to plan with Mark Miller to take a tour of the parks at 6:00 pm before
22 their September meeting.

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24 **I. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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27 **J. ADJOURNMENT**

28 There being no further business, Ann Marie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Joe seconded the
29 motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm. The next meeting will be
30 Thursday, August 2, 2012 at 7:00 pm.

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36 Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary

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Report

To: Park Commission

RE: August 2nd, 2012 Commission Meeting

From: Frank Vattilano, Director of Recreation

Summer programs in aerobics, yoga, Pilates, zumba and clinics in soccer are ongoing as is the Youth Rec Camp. Preschool Entertainment in the park has been held every Tuesday in July. Attendance this summer is down from last year. I attribute this to the lack of a newsletter. When polling the parents in the audiences, I find that many would prefer a written notice about events.

I am still receiving calls, questions, and/or permit applications for East Goshen Park pavilions. The township park soccer/football field will not be ready for play in August due to lack of rain. Mark Miller says the best case scenario, if we get some rain, would be mid September. I informed the teams of this possibility back in March when the fields were regraded, under drained, and reseeded. I will hold a meeting of field permits applicants after the Park Commission meeting.

Summer camp has been excellent. In addition to the slate of classes in Arts and Crafts, Gym, Anything Goes, Spanish and Music along with field trips, we have also had: Police Detective, Bill Cahill gave a presentation on what it takes to be a Detective; 2 representatives from PECO came in to give the kids a program on energy consumption and conservation; and Goshen Fire Company will come to the program this Friday with their water cannon equipped fire truck to cool us off. I am always proud to show off our kids to people who give presentations at the program. Our kids are smart, well behaved, and eager to learn and have fun. The staff is wonderful and the Volunteers have been great.

Frank Vattilano

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