

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
Park & Recreation Board Meeting
April 4, 2013**

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, April 4, 2013 at the Township Building. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Heidi Karpa at 7:40 pm. She explained that the reason for the late start was due to the "Meet n Greet" the Commission had for prospective vendors at the Farmers Market.

Commission members present were:

Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore
Erich Meyer
John Jamgochian
Joseph Zulli

Others present were:

Frank Vattilano, Director of Recreation
Thom Clapper, Township Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ruth led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Chairman noted that the minutes of March 7, 2013 were approved.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Resident Sharon Kinch made a presentation to have a fundraiser in the park. She would like to have a 5K race and games, events and food, i.e; food vendors, face and pumpkin painting, hayrides, etc. She would like to have it on Sat. Oct 26, 2013 with a raindate of Sun. Oct. 27. The proceeds would go toward Mesothelioma research in memory of her father. Frank explained that the township does not allow exchange of money in the park except for township sponsored events. Each year there are several races which aren't a problem because the registration can be done before the day of the race. Heidi thanked her for waiting and told her the Commission will consider her request and get back to her.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

1. Heidi reported that she met with Jon Altshul to discuss the budget.
2. Heidi wants to have a workshop this month. It was decided to have it on Tuesday, April 16, at 10:30 am.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Frank's report – The Egg Hunt was a big success. They gave out over 450 bags to the children so he estimates 1,000 people attended, which is the biggest hunt so far.
The "Bridges" program for students to help senior citizens with technology has had one session using Dr. Clapper and his wife Irene as test students. The next 2 classes will be held on Sunday, April 7 and Sunday April 14 at 2:00 pm and they are full.

The Mature Driver Class had to be cancelled for the first time. In the past, there were about 25 people signed up but this year only 6. Frank feels this is an indication that the Newsletter served a very important part in communication with the residents.

Frank reported that his presentation at the PRPS State Convention went extremely well. It was on Inspiring Summer Camp Staff. It was attended by Recreation Directors and Administrators from across the state. The majority of them don't run their camps – they hire contractors to do it for them. They will use the information he provided as guidelines.

2. Farmers Market – Heidi reported that the "Meet n Greet" held this evening was very successful. A few items on the rules will be changed. The Summer Market will start on Thursday, May 9, 2013. The location

will be changed to the front of the circle which will make the market more visible from Paoli Pike. She asked the vendors to have their application in by next Thursday. This will give her time to update the website.

3. Rain Garden – Erich reported that he walked the parks with Mark Miller to look at locations for this garden. He provided a photo of the area they selected in Applebrook near the spring house and the new bridge. Everyone thought this was a good location. Heidi moved to approve this location for the rain garden. Ann Marie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Erich will let the Conservancy Board know at their meeting next week. Thom feels that a presentation must be made to the Board of Supervisors for their approval.

4. Amphitheater – The work started today with mining for serpentine stone.

5. Community Day - Food was discussed. Frank spoke with the owner of the Purple Picnic People who acknowledged that there were some problems last year and has a proposal for this year. Frank will ask him to attend the workshop on April 16. Frank reminded the commission members that they need to get 60 volunteers for this event.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Heidi made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ann Marie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm. The next meeting will be Thursday, May 2, 2013 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary