

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
Park & Recreation Board Meeting
June 6, 2013**

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, June 6, 2013 at the Township Building. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Heidi Karpa at 7:00 pm.

Commission members present were:

Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore
Betsy Williams
Erich Meyer
John Jamgochian
Joseph Zulli

Others present were:

Frank Vattilano, Director of Recreation

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Heidi 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 May 2, 2013 were approved as corrected.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Lori Lepard, who is taking over Betsy's position with the Girl Scouts, would like to set up a table at the Farmers Market to have crafts, etc., for children. She wants to promote the Girl Scouts and give out information with instructions on how to register to be a Girl Scout. The Commission members agreed that this was a good idea. She will coordinate with Ann Marie. Frank mentioned that Lori's son, Grant, did the picnic tables for his Eagle Scout project.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Mr. Arthur (Todd) Jones is concerned about the vendors at the Farmers Market parking on the grass. He is also concerned about the new location which interferes with runners on the main path. Heidi reported that they spoke with the vendors who serve from their trucks and they are parking on the pavement now. She spoke with Mark Miller who doesn't have a problem with the other trucks unloading and loading on the grass. Joe explained that the location of the market was changed to the front of the park to give it more visibility.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Community Day - Frank reported that he distributed promo flyers in all the local schools, on community bulletin boards, and information websites. He will start promoting the event in earnest 2 weeks prior with the large sandwich signs at intersections and on Goshen Fire Co. sign. Rick Smith met with the Goshen Fire Co. traffic team. There are 2 orientation meetings scheduled for the volunteers on Monday June 17th and Tuesday June 18th at 7:00 pm at the Ira Hicks Pavilion. All volunteers must attend one of the meetings. Frank is concerned about the number of volunteers. He distributed a copy of the list of volunteers for 2012 and a schedule of events for 2013, which includes an Elvis impersonator who will perform at 8:30 pm. Ann Marie will contact East High School to see if any of the teams/clubs want to help. John will ask PJ to be the volunteer coordinator this year, otherwise, John will do it. Everyone must contact their volunteers by this Sat. June 8th. The VC will contact the Commission members on Sunday to verify their lists.

2. Farmers Market – Heidi reported that the first month went well. They had to cancel once because of bad weather. The average number of people coming each week is 500. The week the market was on the front page of the Daily Local and on WCHE radio, there were 800. The number of people on Facebook went from 120 to 350. Today WCHE did a live broadcast from the Market which went very well. Al Zuccarello, chairman of the Commerce Committee, is contacting local businesses.

Heidi, John and Ann Marie, the Farmers Market subcommittee, met with Rick Smith, Mark Miller and Frank to review the first month of the summer market and process paperwork. Erich, Betsy and Joe said they did not get the email about this meeting. Heidi will be sure they are included on the email.

3. Goals – The Commission members reviewed the list of goals assigned by the BOS. Heidi will prepare a report for the BOS.

RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT

Frank reported that the Spring session of Aerobics, Yoga, Pilates, Zumba Toning and Line Dancing classes are in progress. The May Township Yard Sale went very well. The May golf outing at Applebrook went well. Registrations for the June 25th golf outing are coming in.

Youth Summer Camp registrations are arriving daily. He has hired an excellent and experienced music teacher for the camp. The rest of the camp staff has been hired too. First Aid training is scheduled as is Staff Training and School Move-In Day. He had one volunteer orientation for the staff and has another scheduled for June 12th at the Township Building. All volunteers must attend one of these sessions.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Joe made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ann Marie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm. Since the July meeting would fall on July 4th, there will be no July meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary