EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP

Park & Recreation Commission Meeting October 2, 2014

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, October 2, 2014 at the Township Building. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Heidi Karpa at 7:15 pm. Commission members present were:

Betsy Williams

Joseph Zulli

PJ Viloski

Others present were:

Jason Lang, Director of Recreation

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Heidi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Heidi asked for a moment of silence to remember our troops.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Heidi noted that the minutes of the September 4, 2014 meeting were approved.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Collette Extended Trip Proposal Jason explained the proposal to offer extended trips (7-14 days) in the U.S. and the world through the Collette travel service. The township would get a percentage of the final trip cost.
- 2. Little Warriors Floor Hockey Program The Commission reviewed the information about this program. The concern is a facility. Jason will explore options.
- 3. Amphitheater Review Jason sent out an online survey with the following results:
 - a. Only 1 person out of 50 said they wouldn't come to the same vent in 2015.
 - b. Live music is the leading draw with theater/cinema close behind.
 - c. Soft Rock bands are the leading interest for live music
 - d. 66% would want to come to a PG-13 rated movie
 - e. Saturday and Friday nights were preferred event nights.

Overall it was a successful first season. Attendance was – Shakespeare in the Park 250; Chester Co. Concert Band 225: Blue Sky Band 85 (This was held the Friday night of Labor Day weekend); and Frozen 350. The Air Music Festival was held during the day on a very hot day so attendance was very low. Next year it will be held in the evening. All performers and the public feel there is a need for a back wall and cover on the stage.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Open Space Plan – Joe reported that the Comp Plan was to be updated but the BOS want rewrite it.

RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT

- 1. Harvest Festival This event will be held on Saturday Oct. 18 from 10am 1 pm. Jason mentioned that the budget he was given is \$200 less than what was spent last year. Flyers are ready showing times for all of the events. PJ volunteered to take care of the Pumpkin Pie Eating Contest. Jason needs judges for the pumpkin carving and kids drawing contests.
- 2. Starting on "Black Friday", residents can bring canned goods to fill Jason's office. The family that donates the most will turn the lights on the tree. The tree will be planted in the park.
- 3. The farmers market last day will be Thursday October 16. There are 31 vendors. During the fall/winter a few of the vendors will be at the Township Building for a holiday market only.
- 4. The Fall Yard Sale will be held this Saturday, Oct. 4. Jason designed the maps so there was no \$400 cost for an engineer.

ANY OTHER MATTER

1. Tennis Courts – Betsy reported that she met Mark Miller at the tennis courts. The soft top courts need repair and she feels that people don't want to play on soft courts anymore. The commission members agreed that the soft courts should be replace with hard courts. Betsy will meet with Mark and Rick Smith.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Betsy moved to adjourn the meeting. PJ seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary