

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
September 6, 2018**

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, September 6, 2018 at the Township Building. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Christine Taraborelli at 7:00 pm.

Commission members present were:

Peter Knupp
Deborah Snyder
Joe Zulli
Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore

Others present were:

Jason Lang, Director of Recreation

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chris led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chris asked for a moment of silence to remember our military, police & veterans.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. The minutes of the August 2, 2018 meeting were approved.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Pumpkin Festival - The Pumpkin Festival will be held on Saturday October 20, 2018. Jason described some of the contests he wants to have using the mounds element in the new playground. The Commission members discussed how to control the number of pumpkins people take. It was suggested to put out a donation jar.

2. Escape the Blacksmith Shop – This will be held on Saturday October 6 at the Blacksmith Shop. Nancy Daversa and Jason are working on it. It is \$5 per person with groups of 10 people. The new blacksmith will be there to do demonstrations. Each group will have 30 minutes to read the clues and figure out how to get out of the room.

3. Yard Sale in the Park – This will be held on Saturday October 6, 2018 in East Goshen Park.

4. Playground Usage Statistics – Jason reported that he goes to the park 4 times/day 4 days/week. He doesn't have actual numbers yet but estimates that there is 5 times more usage in this new playground.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Farmers Market – The amount of customers has decreased. It may be due to the extreme weather. Jason will meet with the vendors after the season is over to get their input.

2. Serpentine Rock – This project was discussed.

3. Food Truck and Music Festival – Jason estimates about 2000 people attended. There were 10 food trucks, which everyone was pleased with. The three bands each played a different type of music. The third band was the favorite. Jason wants to consider having beer and wine tents next year. He will contact other townships to see what they do.

RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT

1. Upcoming Events

a. Awesome Fest for Teens – This will be held Friday, September 14, 2018. Jason mentioned all the events they will have and the students from various schools that will be helping him. There will be a session about teen films and how to produce one.

b. Kids Poetry Contest – will be held on September 10 at the elementary school. The theme is East Goshen. The words of their poems have to fit inside the East Goshen Township map on 8.5 x 11 paper.

c. Sports Fields - Jason reported that the demand for Cricket could use 2 fields 5 days/week. The fields are being used every day by the Great Valley U12 Travel baseball teams. The 1850's style baseball and Ss. Simon and Jude football team use the upper fields. These are not being used for soccer anymore. Frisbee and Rugby are interested in field space.

- d. Pickle Ball - The court is being heavily used. Jason feels we may have to paint another one.
- e. Basketball Courts – The nets have been replaced and the courts are being used.

PUBLIC WORKS

1. Jason reported that the Public Works Department is doing regular maintenance at the park. They are mostly busy doing road work and are starting a pond rehabilitation project.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Deb moved to adjourn the meeting. Joe seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm. The next regular meeting will be Thursday, October 4, 2018 at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary