

April 18, 2011

The Straban Township Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting minutes from the April 18 2011, 7:00 p.m. meeting held at 1745 Granite Station Road.

Present: Tom Adair, Joyce Wentz, Deb Kammerer, Sharon Hamm, Mike Bishop, George Mauser, Holey Staub, and George Douglas

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Minutes:

- The minutes of the March 21, 2011 meeting were pre-read and approved by motion from Tom Adair, seconded by Deb Kammerer, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

- The current balance of the Recreation and Parks budget is \$38,038.23. The account earned \$6.93 in interest in February and \$8.03 in interest in March. Expenditures in March were \$6,250 for soccer goals and \$783.90 for concrete work at the park. No purchases were made in April. The treasurer's report was approved by motion of Deb Kammerer, and seconded by Joyce Wentz, motion carried.

Appearances:

- Mike Bishop, representing the Gettysburg Youth Soccer Club (GYSC), explained that the soccer club is looking for alternate fields to practice on. The club would like to reserve four evenings per week for practice, and is willing to work out scheduling of the soccer field with Scott Hancock of the AYSO.
- The soccer field can currently be used for practice, but not games. Plans are to address the drainage and grading issues of the field. The field can then be reseeded to make it ready for games in the Spring of 2012.
- The township currently does not have the machine needed to line the soccer field. Lines are not necessary for practices, and the GYSC does own equipment to line the fields.
- The GYSC will try to work practices around baseball and softball schedules due to limited parking at the park.

Old / New Business:

- Deb Kammerer made a motion to amend the interim resolution to clarify reserved use of the fields for any use as well as for games. Tom Adair seconded the motion, motion carried.
- The township will make a ruling on any scheduling conflicts.
- Due to liability issues, the dragging of the fields will be done by the township maintenance staff.
- Signs for overflow parking are in place.
- Questions remain as to whether Field B can be adequately repaired without significant expense.
- Both the Facilities Reservation form and the Park Calendar are now on the Township web site.
- The topic of park maintenance costs was tabled until the Board gets more information.
- Joyce Wentz made a motion to change the Rec. Board's May meeting to May 23rd at 7:00 p.m. Deb Kammerer seconded the motion, motion carried.

- Tom Adair made a motion to select September 18th as the tentative date of the township picnic. Deb Kammerer seconded the motion, motion carried.

Public Comment:

George Douglas commented on the good condition of the park's softball field.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 p.m. by a motion from Deb Kammerer, and seconded by Tom Adair, motion carried.

The next Recreation Board meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on May 23, 2011 at 1745 Granite Station Road.

**Joyce Wentz,
Straban Township Recreation Board**