

May 23, 2011

The Straban Township Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting minutes from the May 23 2011, 7:00 p.m. meeting held at 1745 Granite Station Road.

Present: Tom Adair, Joyce Wentz, George Mauser, and Sharon Hamm

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

Minutes:

- The minutes of the April 18, 2011 meeting were pre-read and approved by motion from Joyce Wentz, seconded by George Mauser, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

- The current balance of the Recreation and Parks budget is \$36,856.12. The account earned \$6.91 in interest. \$1,182.11 was transferred to the Township's General Fund to compensate for non-maintenance work done at the Park. The treasurer's report was approved by motion of Joyce Wentz, and seconded by George Mauser, motion carried.

Appearances: None

Old / New Business:

- George Mauser, our new Recreation Board member, touched briefly on the experience he brings to the Board.
- Joyce Wentz gave a brief overview of the issues the Recreation Board has been facing regarding changes to the Park, the limited parking at the Park, and the teams currently using the Park. George was informed that the Federal Government donated the Park to the Township in 2004.
- Sharon Hamm explained that the Township Supervisors have the authority to approve spending proposed by the Recreation Board, and that the Board is planning to update the Township's current Recreation Plan. Also, the Recreation Fund is funded through fees developers pay in lieu of creating recreational areas in their developments.
- At the June meeting, the Board will make decisions regarding the scheduling of every use of the Park, along with deadlines for teams using the fields at Park to submit their schedules for practices and games.
- The muddy path to field B issue was tabled for now so the Board can talk with Mark Walde from the Township maintenance department.
- An engineer would need to assess the Park for storm water maintenance if additional parking is added.
- For teams to do work on the Park's fields, they need to give the Township a copy of their insurance policy with the Township named as an additional insured party.
- The Board would like to see better explanation of expenses paid by the Recreation Fund.
- The work on the message board for the Park is nearly completed.

Public Comment: None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m. by a motion from Tom Adair, and seconded by George Mauser, motion carried.

The next Recreation Board meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on June 20, 2011 at 1745 Granite Station Road.

**Joyce Wentz,
Straban Township Recreation Board**