

**STRABAN TOWNSHIP PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**

*Deb Kammerer, Debbie Arnold, Joyce Wentz, Tom Adair, George Mauser*

**MEETING OF: APRIL 15, 2013**

The Straban Township Parks & Recreation Advisory Board met this date, as publicly advertised, at 7:00 p.m. at the Recreation Park pavilion, 100 Smith Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325 with Board Chair Deb Kammerer presiding. Others in attendance were: Treasurer Tom Adair; Secretary Joyce Wentz; Member George Mauser; and Office Manager Robin Crushong. Vice Chair Debbie Arnold was not present.

Others in attendance were: George Douglas, Adams County Aftershock Fastpitch Softball; and Sharon Hamm, Tony Sanders and Fred Kammerer, the Township Board of Supervisors.

Board Chair Deb Kammerer brought the meeting to order.

**Minutes:**

Mr. Adair moved, seconded by Ms. Wentz, to approve the March 18, 2013 minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Reports:**

The Treasurer, Mr. Adair gave the Treasurer Report. There were no expenses. The only income was interest for March 2013 in the amount of \$1.87. The balance in the Recreation Account is currently \$37,119.96. Mr. Mauser moved, seconded by Ms. Wentz to approve the Treasurer Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Appearances:**

None.

**Old/New Business:**

**Drainage Project:** Ms. Kammerer suggested moving the meeting to the spot of the drainage issue. Mr. Sanders stated that when he and Mr. Kammerer met with Erik Vranich from Wm. F. Hill & Assoc. office at the site on March 14, 2013, Erik indicated that the drainage was done this way for the planning of the proposed parking area. This is how the plan reads and Erik was not directed any differently by either Boards. Even though the proposed parking area may be years off from being completed, the drainage issue now should be taken care of when the parking lot is put in. Mr. Douglas stated that he can see an improvement in field B since the work has been done.

Mr. Sanders stated that since the work done did not address the underground spring he wanted to know from the Recreation Board if this is something that they feel should be done now or later. Right now the pipe that C.E. Williams put in can be marked but it may not be so easy to find if we wait. Ms. Kammerer stated that this was not a big drainage issue and could be fixed rather inexpensively. Mr. Kammerer stated that if you figured about \$2.00 per feet (this would include labor) the cost would be a few hundred dollars. The Board agreed that it would be nice to have it done this summer if the Road Crew and Ms. Kammerer had the time to do it. Ms. Kammerer would lay it out and do the grade and the Road Crew could do the rest of the work. Ms. Kammerer estimated that the job would be about 250 feet in length and cost around \$500.00. It was suggested that the Road Master provide a cost estimate to confirm the \$2.00 per feet with a total cost of around \$500.00. **Mr. Mauser moved, seconded by Ms. Wentz to recommend to the Board of Supervisors to incur**

expense up to \$500.00 to put in drain tiles to meet current construction and if the cost goes beyond \$500.00 the work should stop and the Recreation Board should be contacted. Motion carried unanimously.

**Volleyball Court/Horseshoe Pits** – Mr. Sanders directed everyone to the site of the proposed volleyball courts and horseshoe pits. Mr. Sanders showed everyone where the proposed volleyball courts were staked off by the Road Crew which was a total of 80 feet for two (2) courts. It was suggested that the courts go north/south instead of east/west because of the way the sun would hit the court. Mr. Sanders stated that the price that the Road Crew came up with was \$10,000.00 for two (2) courts. It was suggested that the park only needs one court. The Board may want to do simple poles and net for about \$1,200.00. Ms. Kammerer stated that an extension to the playground area was also on the list to be done. The horseshoe pits would cost about \$500.00 to do. It was suggested that at next month's meeting the Recreation Board look at its priority list.

**Vandalism** - Vandalism at the park was discussed. It was suggested that some chains be put up to keep people from parking where they are not permitted to park. Mr. Douglas also stated that when the overflow parking gets full, it is hard to get out. There should be a portion designated for entering and leaving. Mr. Mauser will get some pricing on things to defer vandalism.

**Public Comment:**

George Douglas – signage is needed at each of the fields indicating “no hitting fence with balls”. Numerous times he has seen people hitting the ball up against the fence. This is going to be an expense in the future if it is not dealt with now. The Recreation Board will discuss this at next month's meeting.

**Adjournment:**

With no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Mauser moved, seconded by Ms. Wenzl to adjourn the Meeting at 8:00 p.m. this date.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin K. Crushong  
Office Manager

**NEXT MEETING:** SUPERVISORS: May 8, 2013  
PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD: May 20, 2013