WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING August 17, 2011

Attendance: Ed Smith, Mike Pillagalli, Jerry Napiecek, and Mary Lou Enoches

West Goshen Staff: Ken Lehr, Kent Wise, Tom Steines, and Casey LaLonde

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Vice Chair Jerry Napiecek.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes from the July 20th meeting were approved on a motion by Mary Lou Enoches and seconded by Ed Smith.

Treasury Statement was reviewed without questions.

<u>Parks Department</u>: Kent Wise reported that due to the wet conditions, the parks crew has returned to mowing four days per week. The new softball dugouts have been finished. Tree work has been going on in three of the parks. Box Elder Pond got @ 200 new plants placed around it by a Girl Scout earning a merit badge. Work on the concession stand will commence now that a bid has been accepted from the original builder of the existing structure. No vandalism has been reported.

<u>Summer Recreation and Summer Teen Program:</u> Tom Steines reported that the programs ended on August 12th and seemed very successful. Surveys were sent to parents/guardians of campers for feedback. Mostly positive responses have been received so far. Tom Steines felt we had an excellent staff of counselors this summer as all seemed very happy with the experience. Scrapbooks, videos and/or slide presentations were done at each of the three camp locations at the end of the six weeks.

<u>Friends of West Goshen Parks</u>: Jerry Napiecek reported that no meeting has held since July 7, 2011. A 50/50 raffle was held during the Greaseband concert to raise revenues.

Bus Trips: Ken Lehr reported on the following bus trips.

- July 16 Citi Field: Survey Report was enclosed with board information.
- August 20 National Stadium filled
- September 24 Phillies vs. Mets is almost filled.
- October 5 –New York City for Jersey Boys at \$175.00 for the entire trip is booked with a waiting list. Looking at a winter excursion of the same type to a Broadway show.
- October 22- Annapolis / 1 bus- half filled at this time
- December 5- Radio City Bus Trip
- December 10—New York City on your own!

The last four fall bus trips were recently posted on the Township website.

<u>Summer Concerts</u>: The Greaseband concert was moved to the West Chester East High School Auditorium due to extreme heat. A crowd of 400 was counted. At the Special Blendz concert at the West Goshen Community Park amphitheater, there were about 425 people. The US Navy Jazz Band, The Commodores performs on August 21st. A summer concert wrap up meeting will be held on September 21st at 6:30 PM before the regular monthly meeting.

<u>Harvest Festival:</u> The Harvest Festival will be held at West Goshen Community Park on October 23rd with the 30th as the raindate. The haywagon has been procured and the music contacted.

Movie Nights: Voting is up on the Township website. Voting will close on September 1st.

<u>Fitness Programs:</u> Yoga and pilates will resume this fall and winter. First session starts on September 9th and ends on October 17th. The winter session starts on November 11th and ends on December 12th.

<u>Dog Park and Skate Park:</u> The last skate camp is going on this week. A shade structure was discussed. Money for labor and materials will come from the Capital Fund. The construction of said building must be bid out as per regulations. Bids will be presented at the September Supervisor's meeting.

New Business: West Chester East High School Jazz Band is scheduled to do an outdoor concert on May 20, 2012.

Casey LaLonde led a brief discussion on the Jerrehian property and adjacent Greystone South which appears to be 50% sold.

On a motion by Mary Lou Enoches and a second by Jerry Napiecek, the meeting was adjourned at 7:31 PM.