

**WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING
November 16, 2011**

Attendance: Ed Smith, Mary Lou Enoches, Mike Pillagalli, Robert Cifone, Joseph Waters, Nancy Pine, and Jerry Napiecek

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Nancy Pine.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes from the October 19th meeting were amended to remove Joseph Water from the attendance list from the October meeting. On a motion by Mary Lou Enoches and seconded by Robert Cifone, the amended minutes were then approved.

Treasury Statement was reviewed without questions.

Parks Department: Kent Wise reported that leaf clean-up has been ongoing for about three weeks. Drainage work is taking place behind the volleyball courts and the Little League fields. Tree work is taking place at Coopersmith Park by ShadyTree Company and at Cloud Park where a fallen tree also took down part of a fence. A contractor is coming in soon to top dress Flagg Field and the soccer field. Restrooms at Barker and Coopersmith Parks will be shut down next week to be followed shortly thereafter by the bathrooms at Community Park.

Summer Recreation and Teen Program: Since a very thorough report and survey was included into the board packets previously, there was no report to give.

Friends of West Goshen Parks: The Board of Directors met on November 3rd. Sponsors will be recognized at the December Board of Supervisors Meeting. Discussion ensued also about better marketing strategies for recognition. The Friends' Board discussed jackets with the Friends' emblem on it for visual awareness.

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

- October 22- Annapolis: Overall, a successful trip; suggestions were to take a trip to West Point in the future
- December 5- Radio City Music Hall: currently filled
- December 10—New York City on your own: Two busses filled and working on filling the third.
- February 8 – "Wicked:" Theatre and dinner and transportation for \$175.00. Second bus added

Summer Concerts: Ken Lehr had no new information to report.

Harvest Festival: Harvest Festival was held at the Community Park on October 23rd on a glorious sunny day! The three hay wagons were an asset and should be continued. Limiting pumpkins, due to this year's cost, was a success and may be continued next year. Talk was also entertained to let John Leary open the concession stand and sell refreshments and have The Friends of West Goshen Park sell water and then we have no further refreshment involvement other than small bags of pretzels and apples. Additional entertainment was discussed since the music started late and they play only an hour of the two hour gig.

Fitness Programs: The second fall session of Yoga and Pilates was cancelled due to lack of registrations.

Dog Park and Skate Park: The shade structure is awaiting delivery. The contractor is waiting to start as the township does not want the area excavated long before arrival of structure due to liability issues. The park area appears to be in good condition and kept clean by the users as well as policed for bicycles by the skaters for fear of temporary closure.

Holiday Celebration: Saturday, December 17th at Fame Fire Company from 9:00 to 11:00 AM. Santa is lined up and Park Board members have signed up for coverage.

Holiday Craft Workshop: Kelly Cifone continues to provide instruction at the event which will be held on December 7th and 8th and which is half filled at this time.

New Business: Discussion of a nomination for Alternate on the Park and Recreation Board took place. Mike McKinley was nominated by Mary Lou Enoches and seconded by Joseph Waters to be nominated for the alternate position. Motion to be forwarded to Board of Supervisors for approval. Discussion followed on the expectations for attendance at meetings and functions for Board Members and Alternates.

Nominations for 2012 Board Positions

Chair: Joseph Waters

Vice-Chair: Ed Smith

Secretary: Mike Pillagalli

Motion to approve the slate of officers was made by Jerry Napiecek and seconded by Mary Lou Enoches and was approved.

Jerrehian Property: 300 page plans were submitted to and accepted by the Planning Commission for approval. Approval will be sent to Supervisors for their approval. It gives @ 160 acres to West Goshen Parks and Recreation to include 5 miles of trails and 90 parking spots. This ground may not be immediately taken over by West Goshen due to liability issues with unimproved areas. 33 acres will be set aside for the mansion and surrounding buildings. Three million to four million dollars will be set aside for road improvements and signals. Must also be approved by State Historic Preservation. The property will encompass 598 homes!!

Recognition: Joe Waters, as incoming Chair, thanked Nancy Pine for her dedicated service as Chair of the West Goshen Parks and Recreation Board for the past two years.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM on a motion by Robert Cifone and seconded by Jerry Napiecek.