

West Goshen Township
Park and Recreation Board
October 17, 2012

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

Township Representatives: Casey LaLonde, Ken Lehr, and Kent Wise

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Joseph Waters.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes from the September 19th, meeting were approved on a motion by Robert Cifone and seconded by Mary Lou Enoches

The Treasury Statement was reviewed with a question raised by Waters about the expenditures so far this year being possibly over budget.

Parks: Kent Wise reported that the crew continues to keep the grounds mowed and the ballfields mowed. A contractor was called in to replace fencing around the new dugouts at the Community Park. A 10 foot high by 70 feet long section of fencing was also installed at the softball field at Community Park. Dugout fencing was added to the field at Cloud Park as well as a new park sign to replace the old one. Sign was from budget money. All of the security cameras have been installed at Community Park, Coopersmith Park, Barker Park, and the skatepark for surveillance purposes.

Summer Recreation and Teen Programs: Tom Steines reported that the Summer Recreation and Summer Teen Programs are finished. A full report on the Summer Program and the Teen Program were provided to board members in their packets of meeting information. Parent survey rated the Summer Program at a 4.5 out of 5 and the Teen Program was rated at 4.6 out of 5.

Friends of West Goshen Parks: The Friends will help out with the Harvest Festival and will have an “Ambassador”, John Smith, at the event to help market the Friends and their activities. Along with the Park and Recreation Board collecting dry goods for the veterans, the Friends will have a cash donation basket for those who wish to contribute.

Old Business: Ken Lehr reported on the following bus trips:

October 5th – 7th—Trip to Hudson River Valley was a success as indicated in the nine-page survey results.

December 1st --- NY City trip on your own. Three buses. Forty seats reserved to date.

December 3rd ---NY City Radio City Music Hall. Two buses reserved and the trip is half full so far.

January 20th --- NY City visit to Guggenheim Museum and Metropolitan Museum of Art.

February 20th ---Mamma Mia theater visit

March 20th --- Phantom of the Opera theater trip.

Ken Lehr reminded Park and Recreation Board members that a Summer Concert Series wrap-up meeting would be held at 6:30 PM before next Park and Recreation Board Meeting on November 13th.

All four Fall Movies have been shown. The Lorax was moved inside due to rain and then there were technical difficulties which delayed the film showing close to an hour. The wait dissipated the crowd and there were ten in attendance when the film was finally shown. There were 75 people at The Adventurs of Tintin, 150 for Puss in Boots, and 60 for Mirror Mirror.

The Harvest Festival will take place on Sunday October 21st at Community Park. Pumpkins have been purchased and all supplies are ready. The Rob Dickenson Band will perform and the Girl Scouts are on board for face painting. A new food distribution plan will be in effect. Volunteers should arrive at noon to put out the pumpkins and set up pavilion. Event will run from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM.

Timothy's will host this year's Holiday Breakfast on December 15th. A new Santa will be debuted this year. Talk ensued about the supervisors helping with defraying overall costs to make the event more economical for families. Ken Lehr indicated that he spoke with Raymond Halvorsen who agreed that the Park and Recreation Department could use unspent money in the General Recreation budget to subsidize the event.

Kent Wise and Ken Lehr indicated there was nothing to report for the skatepark or dogpark.

New Business: Casey LaLonde reported that a fourteen building lot site subdivision was approved for the Jerrehian Estate.

On a motion by Mary Lou Enoches seconded by Robert Cifone, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.