

West Goshen Township  
Parks and Recreation Board  
September 17, 2014

**Attending:** Ed Smith, Mike Pillagalli, Jerry Napiecek, Michael McKinley, and Nancy Pine

**Township Representatives:** Ken Lehr, Tom Steines, Dorine McClune, and Casey LaLonde

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by Chair Edward Smith.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes from the August 20<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved on a motion by Michael McKinley and seconded by Ed Smith.

The Treasury Report of August 31<sup>th</sup> was reviewed without any questions.

**Parks Department:** Cutting grass seems to be the major thrust at the moment and working with the trimming of shrubs at all of the parks. Painting of the Maintenance Building exterior is taking place as well as the four men's and ladies' restrooms at Community Park. Grading around the new bleachers is almost finished at Community Park as well as replanting the flower beds near the amphitheater. Ms. McClune asked the Park and Recreation Board to consider the replacement of the Hallowell Park monument that has been stored at the Maintenance Building since the new structure was added near the township building. The board decided to ponder the placement and report back at the October meeting.

**Summer Recreation and Teen Program:** August 15<sup>th</sup> was the finish date to another successful Summer Recreation Program with no major issues or injuries. Surveys have been sent to the homes of all registrants and a report will follow in October. The Summer Teen Program was very successful in their new spot at Lambert Park with no negative reports from either the school district or the township. They hope to maintain their new facility space for next summer.

**Friends of West Goshen Parks:** No report except that the next board members meeting will be held on September 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.

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

September 13, 2014 - Metropolitan Museum of Art and Tour of Central Park. 33 people attended.

October 18-19, 2014 - Finger Lakes Excursion is SOLD OUT

November 2, 2014 and December 8, 2014 – Forms for the Radio City Music Hall trips are available online and at the Township Administration Building.

December 6, 2014 – Forms for the New York City trip are available online and at the Township Administration Building.

Ken Lehr reported that on August 24, 2014, Blackthorn drew between 1,300 and 1,500 people to the park. A Summer Concert Series wrap-up meeting will be held at 6:30 PM on October 15 before the regularly scheduled Park and Recreation Board Meeting.

The following fall movies are scheduled:

September 27 – “Muppets’ Most Wanted”

October 4 - “The Lego Movie”

October 11 – “Despicable Me 2”

October 18 – “Frozen”

There were no dogpark or skatepark updates.

The finalized date for the Harvest Festival was established at October 26<sup>th</sup>. The haycart was procured and inflatables are to be ordered. Makin’ Music is contracted to perform. The Sheriff’s Office will set up an information table and have their dogs on sight and some giveaways, and discussion was held on also looking into a Zip Line system that was utilized during a West Chester Recreation event.

Sara Franco has agreed to step in as a full Park and Recreation Board member for Joseph Waters who will become an alternate. A motion was made by Ed Smith and seconded by Jerry Napiecek to forward the recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. There was no discussion on the winter absence of Mary Lou Enoches.

**New Business:** Kelly Cifone will instruct at the Holiday Decorating Workshops on December 9 and 10, 2014 at the Township Administration Building.

The Holiday Breakfast is scheduled for December 20<sup>th</sup> at Timothy’s again.

There will be an Art Reception for the West Goshen Township Resident Art Exhibit on October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 PM.

Discussion was brought up about the possibility of some wider community advertisement of the summer concert series to have a following for all the concerts as was evidenced with The Greaseband and Blackthorn, which have an independent system for their own venue locations and dates.

The new Assistant Township Manager, Mr. Derek Davis, was introduced to the Park Board.

On a motion by Jerry Napiecek and a second by Dorine McClune, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.