

West Goshen Township
Parks and Recreation Board Meeting
November 19, 2014

Attending: Ed Smith, Mike Pillagalli, Jerry Napiecek, Robert Cifone, Sara Franco, Nancy Pine, Joseph Waters, and Michael McKinley

Township Representatives: Ken Lehr, Tom Steines, and Casey LaLonde

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chair Edward Smith.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes from the October 15th meeting were approved on a motion by Robert Cifone and seconded by Jerry Napiecek.

The Treasurer's Report of October 31th was reviewed and a question was asked about year-end budget. It was answered by Ken Lehr that the budget all squared away at year's end.

Parks Department: Joseph Waters reported that The Parks Department has met with the Dellavecchia Funeral family in regards to their willingness to undertake the erection of the Hallowell Monument back to township's main building site. Plans are in progress for the repositioning.

Summer Recreation and SummerTeen Program: Tom Steines reported that at the end of the year and beginning of 2015, the prior counselors will be contacted to determine who will be returning for next summer's program. The supervisors are still contemplating a full day summer camp program. The outlook is that it will be delayed until possibly the summer of 2016, if it is to be a reality.

Friends of West Goshen Parks: Jerry Napiecek reported that a board members meeting was held on November 6th at 7 PM. Upcoming events were discussed including the Holiday Breakfast on December 20th. John Herley would also be on hand at the December 10th Supervisor's meeting to present acknowledgements to the sponsors of the Summer Concert Series. It was determined that the Concert Series cost the township \$9,100.00 and the sponsorship monies came in at \$5,200.00. The difference was made up from the Friends of West Goshen Parks budget. This brought about discussion on the monies bequeathed to the Concert Program as established by the donor Mr. March. They have not been used and the money remains invested in the name of the Friends and the Parks and Recreation Committee. A discussion was held about the cost of the concerts and the shortage realized by the Friends and it was determined that there was \$3,000.00 placed in the proposed budget for Park and Recreation.

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

November 23, 2014 - Radio City Music Hall. One seat still open.

December 6, 2014 – New York on Your Own. Two buses going. Plenty of seats still available.

December 8, 2014 – Radio City Music Hall. One bus going. Plenty of seats still available.

Ken Lehr had no further report on the Summer Concert Series from the October meeting.

The final Fall Movie, "Frozen" on October 18th, had an estimated audience of 200 in attendance.

Ken Lehr reported that Harvest Day had perfect weather. A good time was had by all.

Kelly Cifone has agreed to instruct on December 9th and 10th for the Holiday Decorations Workshop. Registration is available online.

Timothy's will again host the Holiday Breakfast on December 20th. 60 registrants so far for the event.

There was no report on the dogpark and the skatepark.

There was no further report about the Hallowell Field marker from info provided earlier in the minutes.

New Business It was motioned by Sara Franco and seconded by Robert Cifone that the current slate of officers term would remain the same for the coming year. Chair is Edward Smith, Vice Chair is Jerry Napiecek, and Secretary is Michael Pillagalli.

The Caswallen Civic Association has presented a plaque in honor of Dr. Robert White that they are asking be placed in an appropriate placement in the "Woodlands at Greystone". Said plaque is on display in the Township Building.

Ken Lehr reported that the Pennsylvania Recreation and Park Society annual conference meeting will be held in Lancaster in March 2015. On Sunday, March 22nd, the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation of Natural Resources will sponsor a workshop open Park and Recreation board members. Attendance for this event will be discussed as information becomes available..

On a motion by Joseph Waters and a second by Sara Franco, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.