

West Goshen Township
Parks and Recreation Board Meeting
February 18, 2015

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

Township Representatives: Ken Lehr, Tom Steines, Dorine McClune, 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 January 27th meeting were approved on a motion by Robert Cifone and seconded by Joseph Waters.

The Treasury Report of January 31th was reviewed without discussion or questions.

Parks Department: Dorine McClune reported that winter months have been spent salting and plowing with the road crew and cleaning and greasing equipment. Staining and coating of the parks' picnic tables has been finished and the crew has been working on the new benches for Barker Park. Some turf damage was worked on at Coopersmith Park and extra surveillance cameras are being installed to cover a larger area of the park and not just the pavilion area.

Summer Recreation and Teen Program: Tom Steines reported that applications are being taken for counselors until March 27th and junior counselors until April 21st. Counselors must be 18 years or older and a high school senior or a graduate. There are seven returning at this point. Junior counselors need to be 16 or 17 years old. All three Summer Teen Program counselors are returning for a smooth transition to that program. Organization and preparation for field trips is taking place now.

Friends of West Goshen Parks: Ken Lehr reported that the next Friends of West Goshen Parks Board Meeting will be held on March 5, 2015. A meeting was held on February 11th with representatives from the Park and Recreation Board and The Friends of West Goshen Parks. Discussions were held on possible usages of monies from the funds bequeathed by Jesse March. Ideas offered were to utilize the money at the potential park at Greystone and /or Bicentennial Funding for West Goshen in 2017. There was also talk about dedicating one of the Summer Concerts in the 2015 season to Mr. March for his generosity.

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

March 21 and April 12- Cherry Blossom Festival

May 2 - New York City

June 12/14 -- Pittsburgh

June 24- Yankee Stadium with public and Summer Teen Program

Ken Lehr reported that a number of bands have been lined up for the Summer Concert Series. Dates for concerts are scheduled for June 14th and 22nd,/ July 12th and 26th, and August 9th and 23rd.

Ken Lehr reminded the Park and Recreation Board that the Egg Hunt and Decorated Hat Parade is scheduled for March 28th at Community Park. He indicated he had several bags of eggs that needed to be filled with candy.

To celebrate the 40th anniversary of the release of the movie “Jaws,” Ken Lehr indicated that West Goshen and East Goshen may partner with ACAC to present the viewing of the movie at ACAC in its pool on June 20th.

Neither Ken Lehr nor Dorine McClune had any report about the skatepark and dogpark.

Dorine McClune had no further report about the Hallowell Field marker.

New Business: The end of the year Picnic Pavilion Report was reviewed.

The Pennsylvania Recreation and Park Society and the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources will hold a “Citizens and Friends Day” on March 22, 2015 in Lancaster, PA. Ken Lehr asked any interested Park and Recreation Board members to notify him by the first week of March.

On a motion by Sara Franco and a second by Robert Cifone, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.