

West Goshen Township
Park and Recreation Board Meeting
April 20, 2016

Attending: Robert Cifone, Joseph Waters, Jerry Napiecek, Michael Pillagalli, Nancy Pine, and Edward Smith

Township Representatives: Ken Lehr, Tom Steines, and Dorine McClune

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chair Michael Pillagalli.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes from the March 16, 2016 meeting were approved on a motion by Jerry Napiecek and seconded by Bob Cifone.

The Treasury Report dated March 31, 2016 was reviewed without further discussion or questions.

Parks Department: Dorine McClune reported that her crew was in grass-cutting mode. They are also working on general clean-up at all the parks and removing a couple of trees from Coopersmith Park. Dorine reports there has been no vandalism to report. A prior donation of daffodils has been a beautiful addition to the parks.

Summer Recreation and Teen Programs: Tom Steines reported that interviews for senior counselors would continue until April 22nd and interviews for junior counselors would continue until May 13th. Camp registration is scheduled for next Saturday, and anyone able to assist is asked to be there by 8:00 AM. A second registration date is scheduled for May 14th with Tom telling the Board that no assistance should be needed on that date.

Friends of West Goshen Parks: Jerry Napiecek reported that the annual meeting of the Friends is scheduled for May 5, 2016 at Community Park. Votes for a slate of officers will be presented and voted on during this meeting.

Old Business: Ken Lehr reported that the bus trip on April 10th to see “The Book of Mormon” was successful and a trip on May 8th to New York City was on schedule for Take Your Mom to NYC.

This year’s Egg Hunt was discussed. The number of entries for the decorated hat parade was down over recent years. Better prizes for next year were discussed along with some other thoughts on how to improve the day. Ed Smith suggested donuts and coffee be made available with any proceeds going to help the Friends of West Goshen Parks. Discussion was held to have some type of entertainment available while awaiting the Easter Bunny’s arrival. Bob Cifone recommended a new tape as the present cassette tape is worn out. It was also suggested contacting Bob Hall from our Fire Department right before the event be done as this was the second year in a row that no fire truck was available to transport the Easter Bunny.

The Summer Concert Series is set to begin on June 12th with Silly Joe performing a children's concert.

The Community Yard Sale is scheduled for May 7th. This is a joint date with East Goshen with fifty participating houses signed up, and eight registered for the West Goshen Municipal Complex. Goshen Signs is printing the signs for the day. The list of houses signed up will be placed on the Township's website. Discussion was held to possibly do it on a separate day next year to not coincide with East Goshen.

Ken Lehr reported that there are five sessions set for the summer skate camp. The first skatecamp is already half full.

Mike Pillagalli asked how the registration for the Photography Workshop was coming along. Ken will report back on the status in May.

New Business: Caitlyn Covell has suggested conducting a Yoga Program to be held on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 in Lambert Park. The board was receptive on trying it as a pilot program.

Dr. Douglas White asked about Community Day and why the township does not have it anymore. He was told it was a monetary decision and had been removed from the budget. It was suggested that Community Day be possibly looked at to coincide with the Township's 200th birthday celebration with maybe getting a group such as Blackthorn or the Greaseband to perform

There being no additional business, a motion to adjourn was made by Bob Cifone and seconded by Nancy Pine at 7:26 PM.