MAIDENCREEK TOWNSHIP
PARK AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING
Regular Meeting May 2, 2013

Attending: Hether Quillman, David Anspach, Brian Felker, Becky Miller, Kim Rossetti- Recording Secretary, Diane Hollenbach- Township Manager,

Guests: None

Park and Recreation Board members met with Diane Hollenbach at Community Park at 7pm for a tour of the facilities. The Board inspected and discussed the walking trail, stream and rocky bank, play structure, upper loop, kick-wall, parking lot, and flagpole location. The Board returned to the Township Building to conclude the meeting.

Hether Quillman called the Regular meeting to order at 7:55 PM.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:

David Anspach made a motion to approve the April 4, 2013 Regular Meeting minutes, seconded by Becky Miller. All voted in favor; the motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer's Report

The Board reviewed the April Treasurer's report and bill list. Diane Hollenbach reported that the first tax deposit, $64,000, was made into the Park and Recreation account. In June, another grant report will be completed; a $16,000-$20,000 reimbursement should be received from that report.

Motion:

Brian Felker made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, seconded by David Anspach. All voted in favor; the motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

COMMENTS & QUESTONS FROM THE BOARD:

Motion:

Brian Felker made a motion requesting a formal response from the Board of Supervisors addressing the deviation from the Park and Recreation plan, as the batting cage was installed in a location other than what was studied and approved by the Park and Recreation Board; and address the unplanned actions and expenditures in the creation of a parking lot that was not in the Park and Recreation plans nor in the Park and Recreation budget with costs in excess of $1,000 for materials plus labor, seconded by David Anspach. All voted in favor; the motion passed.

MANAGER'S REPORT

The Board reviewed the May Manager's report.

NEW BUSINESS

Parking Areas- Community Park & Fishing Areas

Mrs. Hollenbach reported that a suggestion was made to install parking areas near the 3 popular fishing locations: near Faith Drive, the hard turn on East Wesner, and off Rt. 73. The Board does not favor adding parking areas to any locations prone to flooding (Faith Drive and East Wesner). The Board will revisit the Faith Drive parking area after the Schaeffer Bridge repairs are completed. The Board would consider a parking area off Rt 73, as it would also serve as a starting point for the walking trail along the meadow. Mrs. Hollenbach will advise the Board of Supervisors and report to the Park and Recreation Board if there is an interest in proceeding with this project.

The Board requested the brush be cleared and hanging vines be cut down in the new Community Park parking area. Any additional work discussion was tabled. A formal plan and budget will be discussed at a future meeting.

Community Park Maintenance

Trails- The Board agreed with the Road Master's recommendation to seal coat/crack seal areas along the walking trail. The Board requests the work be completed in the late Fall, after the sports groups have finished their seasons. The Board is not in favor of removing the old trail.

Field Maintenance- Mrs. Hollenbach advised the summer help employees could pull out the rocks and overseed the fields.

Kick Wall- Tabled pending formal repair plan and budget

Vandalism- Mrs. Hollenbach reported the plaque was partially pulled from the wall; it will be removed and reinstalled inside the concession stand. She stated a recommendation was made to consider adding signs and security cameras. The Board requested specifics of which areas should be secured before reviewing and making a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.

OLD BUSINESS

Ontelaunee Heights Sink Holes

Motion:

David Anspach made a motion to recommend the Board of Supervisors approve the purchase and installation of fencing from the woodland to the property line and consult with the Township Solicitor regarding the wording of signs, seconded by Brian Felker. All voted in favor; the motion passed.

EVENTS

T-Ball

Mr. Felker reported that 115 kids are playing and 57 parents have volunteered to help.

Hit Pitch & Run – Sunday, May 5th.

The event will begin at 9am. Volunteers are to report at 8am.

Car Show- Saturday June 1st

There are 16 pre-registered vehicles. Mr. Felker and Mr. Anspach will continue to hand flyers out during other car shows.

Community Day- Saturday, June 1st
The Reading Show-Mobile/stage has been reserved. The Board discussed the various participating vendors and the different activities that will be available. The Board will discuss the event in detail at the May 30th meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, David Anspach made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Kim Rossetti. Hearing no questions, all voted in favor. The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.
The next meeting will be Thursday, May 30, 2013 at 7:00pm in Maidencreek Community Park.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly Rossetti
Recording Secretary

Diane E. Hollenbach
Township Manager/Secretary

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