

OPEN SPACE & RECREATION BOARD
August 18, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Board members present were Chairwoman Sue Thompson, Jill Ludy, Dennis Elliott and Ralph Freed. Vice Chairman Dave Crock and Dennis Elliot were absent. Also present were Herbert Miller, Jr., Commissioner, Greg Churach and Jack Layne, Township Manager.

1. Call to Order

Chairwoman Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Ms. Ludy moved that the July 14, 2010 meeting minutes be approved. Mr. Freed seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. Reports

A. Mr. Freed showed photographs of proposed pavilions for 1401 N. Charlotte Street. After reviewing these proposed pavilions there was a consensus that the 14 foot by 26 foot pavilion was preferred at a cost of approximately \$9,067. Mr. Freed stated that the type of roof, e.g., a pitched roof for example, if provided might aid in lowering the cost for the pavilion. He stated that asphalt could be used as the floor for the pavilion, which might also reduce the costs of the pavilion. There was general agreement that this matter would be further discussed at the September 8th Open Space and Recreation Board meeting.

4. Old Business

A. Mr. Miller stated that the Township had successfully completed the closing process for the Grim Conservation Easement.

B. The Board discussed the upcoming Community Day, which is scheduled for Saturday, October 2nd from 11 A.M. to 3 P.M. at Heather Place Park. The major points addressed during the discussion on Community Day included the following:

- Ms. Ludy stated that she had been in contact with Michael regarding his providing music from 11:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M.
- Ms. Ludy stated that the Community Band could perform from 1:30 P.M. to 2:30 P.M.
- She stated that the Pottsgrove High School Football Coach could have some of his players attend this event.
- It was noted that there would be an Alex's Lemonade Stand.
- There was a request that the Shriners provide the identification service for children as they had done at last year's Community Day.
- It was requested that the sign announcing the event be put up by September 17th.
- Kona Ice would be a participant.

- The lady providing jewelry would be back this year.
- There was a request that Senator John Rafferty, Representative Thomas Quigley and Congressman Charles Dent be invited to attend Community Day.
- The martial arts school that gave a presentation last year will be invited to attend.
- The Upper Pottsgrove Fire Company will provide the same services and interesting display as in past years.
- Mr. Layne stated that he would contact Police Chief Moffett regarding the providing of a helicopter and Police Dog.
- Goodwill Ambulance will be asked to attend.
- J. P. Mascaro will be asked provide a table and display.
- Comcast and Verizon will be requested to provide a table.
- It was noted that an extra Porta-Potty would be needed.

5. New Business

A. Mr. Miller stated that he had spoken with a resident regarding a bird droppings problem at the Heather Place Park pavilion. He stated that the placing of screening or some other type of barrier would inhibit the birds from coming into the pavilion. Mr. Freed stated that he look at placing screening in this area. Ms. Ludy moved that the Township look into placing screening at the Heather Place Park pavilion. Chairperson Thompson seconded this motion. The motion was approved.

B. Chairperson Thompson stated that the Township needed to provide asphalt at the Hollenbach Park entrance. She suggested that French Drains be placed at the end of the driveway. She added that PCV pipe, etc. could be utilized.

C. Mr. Miller commented that if David Crock would miss another Board meeting that he be asked to resign due to the fact that there are other residents who are eager to become members of the Board. Chairperson Thompson stated that she would contact Mr. Crock regarding whether he desired to remain a part of the Board.

D. Mr. Miller requested that good top soil be placed on top of the piping area for the newly installed drinking fountain at Kulp Field.

E. There was a request that Scepter Signs be contacted regarding the proper repair of the posts and signs at Hoffman Park.

6. Public Comment

Mr. Churach stated that there was a significant broken glass problem at the walking trail around the Sunset Park pond. He suggested that top soil or gravel be placed on top of it. It was requested that Scepter Signs be contacted to place a sign noting that the trail was closed due to the problem with the broken glass.

7. Adjournment

Ms. Ludy moved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:24 P.M. Mr. Freed seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Next meeting scheduled for 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, September 8, 2010