

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2008

Commission members present were Herbert J. Miller, Sue Thompson, and Jill Ludy. Chairman Stephen Ailes, Vice Chairman David Crock were absent. Also present was Jack Layne, Township Manager.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:18 P.M. by Mr. Miller.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Ms. Thompson moved that the October 10, 2007 meeting minutes be approved as submitted. Ms. Ludy seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

3. Reports

No reports were provided.

4. Old Business

A. Community Day Planning Update

Following a brief discussion on the benefits of the 2007 Community Day to the Upper Pottsgrove Township community, Ms. Ludy moved that the 2008 Community Day be held on Saturday, October 4th at Heather Place Park with the rain date being October 5th at the same location. Ms. Thompson seconded the motion. The motion was approved. Proposed 2008 Community Day activities discussed included the following:

- Ms. Ludy stated that she would be touch with a person that might provide a World War I and World War II display.
- More food is needed.
- A letter should be sent to the Fire Company thanking them for the services that they provided at the 2007 Community Day and requesting that they participate in the 2008 Community Day.
- Bingo was a hit and should be done again this year.
- A letter should be sent to various businesses requesting their support for the 2008 Community Day.
- Contact the Montgomery County Health Department for their availability.
- Contact the regional minor and major sport teams to request that their mascots attend our event, i.e., Swoop – Philadelphia Eagles, etc.
- Request donations from area supermarkets, such as Wegmans and Giant.

- Request that Mr. Ailes request funding support from Wachovia Bank.
- Contact the Masons to request that they participate again this year.

5. New Business

- It was noted that the approved Township 2008 Budget did provide funding for park maintenance, for the Joint Recreation Board and the Hillside Paving contribution.
- Trash containers with lids, which are similar to the ones utilized at Heather Place Park, have been ordered for Hollenbach and Mucharniuk Parks.
- No update on the regional recreation program endeavor.
- Mr. Layne stated that the State Recycling Grant recently awarded to Lower Pottsgrove Township for establishing a regional compost site should assist Upper Pottsgrove Township efforts to remove excess brush and debris from our Township parks.
- Following a brief discussion regarding the need to have the proposed foot bridge between Hollenbach and Mucharniuk be completed by the spring of 2008, Mr. Miller moved that the proposed foot bridge between Hollenbach and Mucharniuk be completed no later than June 21, 2008 (the end of Spring). Ms. Thompson seconded this motion. The motion was approved.
- It was recommended that directional arrows be placed along the trails running through Township parks. Ms. Thompson also noted that we should be cognizant of the fact that horseback riding might be permitted on trails.
- It was recommended that Mr. Ailes continue his evaluation of the Mucharniuk Meadows pathways that encompass the pathway adjacent to his home.

6. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

7. Adjournment

Ms. Ludy moved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:05 P.M. Ms. Thompson seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Next meeting scheduled for 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, February 13, 2008