# PARKS & RECREATION BOARD January 14, 2009 Meeting Minutes

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

#### 1. Call to Order

Chairman Ailes called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M.

# 2. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

# 3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Following a brief discussion, Mr. Miller moved that the December 10, 2008 meeting minutes be **6. New Business** section **C.** be revised to state that "sleeves be placed on all the sign poles for all of the signs located at Township parks not just for the signs located at Hoffman Field. Ms. Thompson seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

## 4. Reports

There were no reports

#### 5. Old Business

## A. Construction of Hollenbach/Mocharniuk Pedestrian Bridge

Mr. Layne reported that he had spoken earlier that day to Vice Chairman David Crock who stated that he would contact Scout Nick Faulkner this week. There was a consensus by the Board that it would be determined at the March Board meeting whether this project was satisfactorily moving forward or other options should be considered.

# **B.** Community Day

 Ms. Thompson suggested that notice be placed in the next Township newsletter requesting participation for those groups, organizations, etc. that would like to participate in this event.

### 6. New Business

## A. Doggi-Pot Stations

Ms. Thompson stated that she will donate and provide Doggi-Pot Stations (Stations) for use at Township parks (i.e., Kulp, Heather, Mocharniuk and Hollenbach). She commented how these pet waste collection Stations are equipped with biodegradable waste bags. Chairman Ailes recommended that the Board members be contacted when the sign were revised to allow for pets to be walked in Township parks in order to trigger the installation of these Stations in the Township parks.

#### **B.** Hollenbach Park Nature Trail

Ms. Thompson requested that the overgrown vegetation within the Hollenbach Park Nature Trail be removed.

#### C. Miscellaneous Items

- Mr. Miller requested that trash be picked up when found at Township parks. He added that the Multi-floral Roses should be destroyed because they are an invasive species.
- Mr. Miller commented that the land at Hoffman Park would need to be properly leveled and he recommended the use of old telephone poles for this purpose.
- Chairman Ailes and Ms. Thompson commented that adequate Township park area had been designated for soccer fields and that the remaining park land should be left open and not designated for any specific organization. Following additional discussion on this matter, Mr. Miller recommended that the Soccer Association be invited to attend a Park and Recreation Board meeting in order to discuss their commitment regarding the use and maintenance of the park areas that they now utilize. Chairman Ailes also suggested that he could meet with Soccer Association representatives as well regarding this matter.

## 6. Adjournment

Chairman Ailes moved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:02 P.M. Ms. Thompson seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Next meeting scheduled for 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, March 11, 2009