

## **YORK TOWNSHIP RECREATION & PARKS BOARD MINUTES November 6, 2008**

**The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. at the York Township Park Building. Debra gave a tour of the newly renovated park building.**

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dean Krout, Rebecca Shettel, Jim O'Neill, Stephen Hobbs, Dan Shelly, Michael Derk

Also present – Debra Hatley, Director

### **MINUTES & BUDGET REPORT**

Approved as printed.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

### **PRESENTATIONS**

None

### **STAFF REPORTS**

The department's October 2008 report was discussed. Debra also stated that we are on target with the 2008 Budget.

Fitz Park – Nothing additional has been done. In 2009, we are looking at doing the land development plan, parking lot, and the playground. Field development will not be done in 2009.

Stump Park – Debra shared a written report/update from Andy Mears from JMT. The project is estimated to be over \$1,000,000. The Commissioners approved \$500,000 from the Recreation Capital Reserve fund for 2009 as they felt that the development would be spread over 2 years. It is anticipated that \$500,000 will be approved for 2010.

EAC – The last meeting did not have a quorum. Debra did not attend. She was at the NRPA Conference in Baltimore, Maryland.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Ma and Pa Community Greenway Update – The Study Committee met on October 6 with the consultant team. The team had done a preliminary walk-through of the trail and identified potential issues on the proposed route. They presented these findings to the committee and also stated that a legal study is being done to determine who owns the land. There will be a public open house in early January, followed by a focus group meeting held in each municipality.

Each municipality is responsible for identifying key community stakeholders to participate in its own focus group meeting.

2009 Capital Budget—Debra distributed a handout on the 2009 Capital Budget projects. Some changes were made by the Board of Commissioners. More funding will come from the Recreation Capital Reserve Fund. Two items requested as part of the capital budget—soccer goals and a portable batting cage—were discussed as they need to be replaced. Debra will work on getting some donations from the groups who benefit from using them to assist with the purchase.

Intermunicipal Programming – Debra has been contacted at separate times by representatives from both Dallastown and Yoe about York Township Recreation coordinating programming in their parks. Debra spoke to each of them to discuss this and the possibility of meeting with DCNR to evaluate available options. Debra will contact DCNR and then follow up with Yoe and Dallastown.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

2009 Fees – Debra reviewed the 2009 Fee Schedule and asked if there should be any changes. Debra suggested raising the Park Building rental. Her suggestion was \$25 an hour for residents and standing rentals and \$35 an hour for non-residents. There was discussion on whether the rate should be hourly or based on several hour increments. It was decided to keep it as an hourly rate. There was also discussion on whether there was a need to get a deposit for Park Building use. The Board did not feel that this was necessary as it would necessitate meeting with groups before and after each event. The Board approved the increase for the park building rentals for 2009. For field rentals, Debra will have to come up with a daily rate for fields if it becomes necessary to split a field.

2009 DCNR Grant Application—Debra proposed that the construction of the pedestrian bridges at the Mill Creek Preserve be the project for the DCNR grant application. The Board approved.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.**