

YORK TOWNSHIP RECREATION & PARKS BOARD MINUTES

September 6, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 8:01 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dean Krout, Dan Shelly, Ron Kirkwood, Michael Derk, Rich Achtzehn. Also present—Debra Hatley, Director; Seth Hafner, JMT; Andy Mears, JMT.

MINUTES & BUDGET REPORT

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

PRESENTATIONS

Seth Hafner and Andy Mears with JMT presented the final sketch of Markey Park. Seth will be submitting the plan to the Conservation District tomorrow. Cost estimates of the project were distributed and reviewed. The results of the perc tests and the issue of the possible presence of rock were discussed. A dig coordinated with Public Works was recommended to do a minor assessment of the soil. Andy also recommended that our DCNR project manager be contacted regarding an onsite visit. Debra will coordinate the dig and the site visit.

STAFF REPORTS

1. The department's August 2007 report was distributed. (See Report)
2. Mill Creek Preserve--The scouts working with the EAC had completed the parking lot at Mill Creek Preserve and were continuing to work on the remaining trail and the ramps for the completed bridge.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Stump Park—DCNR has received a letter from the National Park Service indicating approval of the LWCF money for the Stump Park acquisition. DCNR will send the department a copy of the letter along with remaining conditions that must be done to complete the process.

Also, the fact that that Lot 3 (the creek area) in the subdivision plan was a non-buildable lot was discussed during the August staff review with the Township engineer and York County Planning. To correct this problem, a 25 foot strip of land will be taken from the western boundary of Lot 2 to create a flag lot on Lot 3. This flag lot will need approval from the Board of Commissioners. Debra will request approval at the September BOC meeting.

2. Markey Park—See Presentation Section.
3. Reservation Policy for Recreation Facilities—Debra presented to the Recreation Board two different options for charging non-residents a fee for using the athletic fields

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as part of an organization that currently meets the residency requirements—1) Simply add a non-residency fee into the current reservation process, or 2) Create a new way of working with local sports organizations to offer the programs on township fields—a partnership concept.

After discussing the pros and cons of each method, the Recreation Board asked Debra to more fully develop the partnership concept for the next meeting. Mike Derk offered to review any information Debra may compile prior to the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 2007 Golf Classic—The Golf Classic will be held on Thursday, October 18 at the Heritage Hills Golf Resort. Registration information was distributed to the board members.

OTHER

1. 2008 Budget—Work on the 2008 budget has begun. Board members were asked if there were any projects that they would like considered for next year. Fences at the edge of Soccer Field #1 near the road and higher/extended fences in the Sand Volleyball area were mentioned.

2. Trolley Line—Debra stated that she had discussed this at the staff meeting. She will continue to bring this up with the Board of Commissioners.

3. Park Renaming—The process for the renaming of a park was discussed again. The possible honoree has not been contacted and would not be until a later date.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m.