Montgomery Township

Park & Recreation Board

Meeting Minutes for March 18, 2009

Keith Johnson, Leesa Meade, Chairperson, Heather Berkey, Tony Ruggieri, Dan Spinelli, Kevin Costello (Public Works Director), Beth Usic (Recreation Director), Jeff McDonnell, Board of Supervisors Liaison, and Officer Johnson were in attendance.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

The minutes from the February 11th meeting were approved as submitted.

REGULAR MEETING

- Leesa Meade called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mark Savini (Montgomery United Soccer Club) - Wants to request closing some of the soccer fields for repair. Beth will look into this to see if it is possible.

NEW BUSINESS

- -Leesa requested that the Park Board be added to the email blast so they can receive information on programs.
- -Keith requested someone to take a look at the white substance on the rocks near the creek at Windlestrae.
- -Keith requested that Kevin check with John Chambers to find out cost for permitting for the Windlestrae pond project. Kevin responded that he would check with John Chambers.
- Rob Johnson spoke to Abington Township about Park Rangers. They do have one, but it is not necessary for Montgomery Township because the police monitor the parks frequently.

OLD BUSINESS

<u>Department of Forestry Update</u>- Public Works is moving forward as an inhouse maintenance operation project. Letters have been sent out to request proposals to have the plan written.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

- -Leesa announced that the Park Board is moving forward with the Whistlestop field renovations idea as the top priority on the capital projects list. The Park Board is meeting at 8:00am on Saturday March 21st to go over ideas for renovations for the fields and the parks.
- -Leesa requested to have John Chambers attend a Park Board meeting to give the Park Board an idea of costs for certain projects.
- -Leesa would like further information on the DCNR grant and other grants that may cover some of the capital projects.

BUDGET UPDATE

Kevin provided Park Board with the year to date 05 Park Fund Budget.

Light Fee for Whistlestop

Anthony is looking into gaining information on a possible hourly rate for the lights at Whistlestop softball field.

Bark Park Plaque

The purchase of the Bark Park plaque has been approved and is on order.

RECREATION UPDATE

Recreation Newsletter has been mailed out. Easter Egg Hunt Event held at Spring Valley Park on March 28th from 10am-12pm. In the event of rain it will be held at the township building.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Leesa Meade adjourned the meeting at 9:35PM. The next meeting is scheduled for April 8th at 7:30PM at the Township Building.