

Montgomery Township
Park & Recreation Board
Meeting Minutes for February 11, 2009



Larry Fiel, 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 January 14th meeting were approved as submitted.

REGULAR MEETING

- Leesa Meade, Chairperson, introduced Dan Spinelli to the Park Board.
- Leesa Meade called the meeting to order at 8:10 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Chuck Vesay presented a donation for \$1000 on behalf of Montgomery United Soccer to be used for additional grass seed for additional parks at Rose Twig.
- Mr. Vesay also compiled a list of suggestions from the Soccer Association for the Township's list of possible Capital Projects (See attached).
- Mr. Vesay also suggested a fund be set up for reward money to catch people causing vandalism in the parks.
- A suggestion for a Park Ranger was made to watch over the parks. Officer Johnson said he would look into this.

NEW BUSINESS

-The benches by the basketball courts were moved at Windlestrae Park. Benches were also moved at Rose Twig section.

- Tony asked if there are alternative ways to reducing the cost of the lights for the fields for MTBSA and MUSC. He asked if it was possible to renegotiate with PECO or if it is possible increase the credit received by these organizations to offset their lighting expense. Kevin said he would look into this.

OLD BUSINESS

- Mr. Costello will follow up on the status of the plaque in the Bark Park.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

- Tony Ruggieri submitted a list of ideas to be considered for the capital projects (See attached).
- Leesa suggested that everyone come up with their top three priorities for the next meeting and also mentioned coming up with one park to discuss each meeting.

BUDGET UPDATE

The Park and Recreation Department had minimal expenses last month.

RECREATION UPDATE

Beth Usic, Recreation Director, announced that the Recreation Newsletter is out and that everyone should be receiving it shortly if they haven't already. Ms. Usic also announced that the Recreation Office is still waiting on approval of camp fees.

ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Park and Recreation Board was informed that attendance is being recorded and if a volunteer misses two meetings it will be reported to the Board of Supervisors.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Leesa Meade adjourned the meeting at 9:40PM. The next meeting is scheduled for March 11th at 7:30PM at the Township Building.