



**Montgomery Township  
Park and Recreation Board  
Meeting Minutes December 12th, 2018**

The December monthly meeting of the Montgomery Township Park and Recreation Board was held on Wednesday, December 12th, 2018 in the Montgomery Township Community and Recreation Center. The members of the Park and Recreation Board in attendance included: Linda Brooks, Mary Beth Meehan, Kim Greene, and Tony Ruggieri. Also in attendance were Mike Fox, Board Liaison, Greg Reiff Parks & Public Works Foreman, and Floyd Shaffer Community and Recreation Center Director.

## **December 2018 Regular Monthly Meeting**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Brooks called the December meeting to order at 7:31pm.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ms. Meehan made a motion to approve the October 10 2018 minutes and Mr. Ruggieri seconded the motion. The approval was unanimous.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Charles Vesay initiated a conversation regarding Ash tree removal that has taken place adjacent to cornfield/Henning's Field area of Windlestrae Park by Neshaminy Falls residents. Mr. Reiff indicated that the Township has marked trees on Park property to be removed in the same area. The extensive process of tree removal will continue into 2019 perhaps beyond.

### **PARK ACTIVITY**

Kim Greene reported on the Bark Park. A sign has been knocked down by a vehicle that drove too close to the entrance of the site. A discussion regarding access issues and liability concerns with regards to the existing dog park or a proposed new one ensued.

Linda Brooks circulated photos of the nearby Horsham Dog Park facility and various equipment commonly found in Dog Parks. Relocation of the Township Dog Park was the next topic of discussion. Cost issues of a new facility was discussed. Mr. Shaffer indicated that he would put together some preliminary price estimates for a New Dog park facility to give the Parks Board an initial starting point for the proposed construction of a new facility.

### **PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE**

Mr. Reiff reported on the following:

- 1) Montgomery Youth Soccer needs to seriously look at the length of their season that has continued into the month of December this year.
- 2) Public works is continuing their ongoing project of diseased Ash Tree removal. Poor weather has been the culprit in the removal process.
- 3) Hockey courts that had developed surface cracking have been repaired to the required safety specifications.

#### **RECREATION UPDATE**

Mr. Shaffer discussed the recent activity at the CRC during November and December 2018 activity. Specific details were provided to the Parks Board in the Recreation monthly report.

#### **NEW BUSINESS / OLD BUSINESS**

The ongoing topic of charging Montgomery Township youth organizations for the use of outdoor Athletic Fields was brought to the Board's attention. The topic will be placed on the agenda for the 2019 Parks Board meeting.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Ruggieri and a second by Ms. Meehan, the meeting was adjourned at 8:29pm.

**The next monthly meeting of Parks and Recreation Board will take place on Wednesday January 9<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 7:30PM.**

Submitted by: Floyd S. Shaffer Community & Recreation Center Director