

Montgomery Township  
**Park & Recreation Board**  
**Meeting Minutes for November 12, 2008**

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At 8:07 p.m. Bill Maule called the meeting to order. Jeff McDonnell (Board of Supervisors liaison), Barry Weinstein, Larry Fiel, Keith Johnson, Leesa Meade, Heather Berkey, Dave Keightly, Kevin Costello (Public Works Director) and Beth Usic (Recreation Director) were in attendance.

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the September 10 meeting were approved as submitted.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comment is noted several times throughout the minutes.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Department of Forestry Update (Kevin)-** Kevin Costello, Public Works Director, and Pam Gural-Bear, Assistant Township Manager, will arrange a meeting with the Department of Forestry representative to analyze the acreage and time of the year for the study. The Board of Supervisors would have to review the proposal and authorize it.

**Rose Twig (Kevin) -** Some money was encumbered for the top coat in the parking lot. The baseball/softball fields should be ready for use in fall 2009, soccer in fall 2010.

**5-year Capital Improvement Plan (Kevin) – The** Board of Supervisors postponed funding for now and will not be moving forward with any projects for 2009. Kevin recommended to the Park Board that they take a hard look at the plan and prioritize the projects in order of importance so that it is clear for the Board of Supervisors. Bill is concerned about the \$2million that was brought up a while ago that doesn't appear to be there now. Bill suggests that Larry Gegan come to the next meeting to explain the funding sources. Kevin will look into this.

**Park Kiosks (Kevin) -** The Recreation Department will take full responsibility for the kiosks. Ray is going to glue cork board on each kiosk and get the Recreation Department keys to the kiosks. Kevin also stated that there will eventually be more kiosks placed in the other parks.

**Use of Correctional Facility Workers-** Dave Keightly spoke to Scott at the MCCF Correctional Facility to get the details for possibly having crews of inmates work in the area. Jeff said the issue has come up and he doesn't believe there were even 3 votes to support this idea.

**Dog waste bags and containers-** There are bags and containers located at Spring Valley Park and Bark Park. Kevin will look into getting bags at the other parks.

**Disc Golf Update-** Kevin and Ray found no environmental damage on the disc golf course. The quarterly update was already sent to the Board of Supervisors.

**Public Comment-**

- Larry Caldwell and the volunteer group have put approx. 80 man hours into taking care of the course. He is recommending going back to a 12 hole course since there was no environmental impact found. Fewer people would be less confused about the layout if all the other holes were re-opened.
- Will Canum (of Mallard Pond) played disc golf several times and has also picked up trash. Also, he believes that the other holes should be opened and suggested maps for the course.
- Barb Vesay will help to make more signs for the course.
- Chuck Zeigler discussed a potential bridge location- if moved 100 ft. upstream it would be easy access from the farm house parking lot to the Wiseman tract. Also, it would be less prone to wash away.

**Final Disc Golf Recommendation –** Discussion took place among the Park Board on the wording for the recommendation of expanding the disc golf course.

**Bill Maule-** The Park Board recommends and unanimously passed a motion to have the 12 approved holes go to their original length per Dr. Deusler's recommendation, which means reinstalling 3 holes that were previously approved and that we work to re-establish 6 holes to make the course an 18 hole course in the near future (Bill made a motion to approve this recommendation and Dave Keightly seconded the motion).

**NEW BUSINESS –** Deferred to next month's agenda.

**OTHER BUSINESS-** N/A

There being no further business, Bill Maule adjourned the meeting at 10:30 PM. Next meeting is scheduled for December 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:00PM at the Township Building.