



**Montgomery Township
Park and Recreation Board
Meeting Minutes for November 9th, 2022**

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The November 2022 monthly meeting of the Montgomery Township Park and Recreation Board was held on Wednesday, November 9th, 2022 within the Community Recreation Center (CRC). The members of the Park and Recreation Board in attendance included: Lynne Reamer, Marybeth Meehan, Jeremy Dombroski, Moira Giordano, Heather Pelletier, and Jess Jastrzembki. Also, in attendance was Floyd S. Shaffer, Community and Recreation Center Director.

November 9th, 2022 Regular Monthly Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Mary Beth Meehan called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. The proceedings began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Jeremy Dombroski and a second by Mora Giordano, the meeting minutes of Wednesday October 12th, 2022 were unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

PARKS ACTIVITY

The following topics were discussed with regards to issues/concerns in Montgomery Township parks by the committee:

- 1) A pickle ball net is in disrepair at Spring Valley Park.
- 2) Mr. Dombroski indicated that one of the bathrooms at Spring Valley Park did not function properly during the Roger Erb Soccer Tournament. The issue was corrected.

NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

1) The 2022 Autumn Festival was discussed. Committee members brought forth many positive comments regarding the October 15th community occurrence in Windlestrae Park. The perfect weather was a huge asset to the 20th Annual event's success. The fireworks were mentioned as a fitting ending to a "Great day in Montgomery Township".

2) Continued discussion on Linda Brooks' efforts to protect/preserve natural areas within Windlestrae took place. The Parks Board expressed that the request to the Supervisors must be more specific and detailed. The Committee's sentiment was that current proposal is much too general. A suggestion was made to bring representatives from the following Committees: 1) Environmental Action Committee

2) Shade Tree

3) Parks and Recreation Board

The purpose of the assembled group would be to explore possible courses of action. The Parks Board fully understands that this is not a simple task and may be a lengthy endeavor.

3) A conversation ensued about the true role of the Parks and Recreation Committee.

4) The initial Senior Committee monthly report was presented by Mr. Jastrzembski.

5) Diagrams and renderings of the renovation to the playground area within Fellowship Park were reviewed. The Parks Board was very favorable to what was presented, especially the accessibility improvements. The sensory items included in the playground equipment were considered as a very positive amenity.

6) The Committee decided that their next meeting will be in January 2023. The reorganization meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, January 11th @ 7:00pm.**

PARKS/PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE

The committee was provided with a copy of the Montgomery Township Park Department Monthly Report for October. Specifics of the Parks Department activities were detailed in the document.

RECREATION UPDATE

Mr. Shaffer also provided the Committee with a written report detailing the various activities conducted in and around the CRC during the month of October. He indicated has been a very busy fall season at the Community Center.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, on a motion by Moira Giordano and a second by Jeremy Dombroski, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59pm. **The next meeting of Parks and Recreation Board will take place on Wednesday February 8th, 2023 at 7:00PM.**

Submitted by: Floyd S. Shaffer, Community Center Director