

Montgomery Township Park and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes for March 9, 2016

The monthly meeting of the Montgomery Township Park and Recreation Board was held on March 9, 2016 in the Montgomery Township Community and Recreation Center. The members of the Park and Recreation Board in attendance included: Jim Earley, Mike Okino, Kim Greene, Linda Brooks and Tony Ruggieri. Also in attendance were Kevin Costello (Public Works Director), Matt Reimel (Athletics and Recreation Coordinator), and Brian Forman (Recreation Director) and Michael Fox (Board Liaison).

CALL TO ORDER

Tony Ruggieri called the meeting to order at 7:27 pm and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mike Okino made a motion to approve the February 10, 2016 minutes and Linda Brooks seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CAPITAL PROJECTS

Public Works Director Kevin Costello reported the bid opened for the Spring Valley Tennis courts project. The bid came back right on budget and will go to the Board of Supervisors for approval on Monday's meeting.

Kevin also reported that starting tomorrow they will be working on the infields of all the baseball fields at Windlestrae Park.

PARK UPDATE

Tony Ruggieri discussed reviewing the assignment of the parks in the township and possibly rotating between the board members.

Mike Okino reported that the Hockey rink at Spring Valley Park has a big crack in it. Public Works Director Kevin Costello noted that regular routine maintenance would take place in the upcoming weeks. He also reported that he is looking into "Armor Tech" to find a more sustainable solution to the problem. Kevin is also looking into Hockey Net repairs on the court as well.

Michael Fox reported an uprooted tree at Windletsrae near the pond. Kevin Costello was looking into the removal of the tree.

RECREATION UPDATE

Recreation Director Brian Forman reported the updated membership numbers. He also reported that the Summer Concert schedule is out and that they are looking into temporary fencing along the edge of the lawn for the concerts, Kids University registration is open and filling up quickly, the March Registration specials and Pickleball update.

On March 19th, Montgomery Basketball will host their Championship games all day at the Community & Recreation Center and the Board thought that setting up a mini snack stand for the families in attendance that day would be a good idea.

NEW BUSINESS

Lansdale Catholic Baseball asked us to honor the agreement in which MTBSA has with us, regarding the field fees for the calendar year of 2016. Mike Okino motioned to waive the fee for this year. Linda Brooks seconded the motion. The board approved unanimously.

MTBSA asked to hang permanent signage on the outfield fence of Field 1 baseball field at Windlestrae Park in Honor of DJ Farrar. Tony Ruggieri proposed a resolution to be presented to the board to honor this request. The board voted unanimously.

MTBSA requested an additional electrical outlet to be put in at one of the baseball fields at Windlestrae. Public Works Director Kevin Costello is looking into the request.

OLD BUSINESS

The Park and Recreation Board Bylaws section regarding absences was discussed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chief Bendig reported a follow up on the Bark Park.

ADJOURNMENT

Mike Okino made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm. The motion was seconded by Kim Greene. The motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 13, 2016, 7:30 pm at the Community & Recreation Center.

Submitted by Matt Reimel