



**Montgomery Township
Park and Recreation Board
Meeting Minutes for December 13, 2017**

The monthly meeting of the Montgomery Township Park and Recreation Board was held on December 13, 2017 in the Montgomery Township Community and Recreation Center. The members of the Park and Recreation Board in attendance included: Mary Beth Meehan, Scott Fontaine, Linda Brooks, Angelo Grasso, Al Quasti and Tony Ruggieri. Also in attendance were Greg Reiff (Public Works Foreman) and Matt Reimel (Athletics and Recreation Coordinator).

CALL TO ORDER

Angelo Grasso called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Tony Ruggieri made a motion to approve the November 8, 2017 minutes and Mary Beth Meehan seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Resident's Chuck Vesay and Bud Reich were in attendance to discuss the proposed Disc Golf Course further. Also in attendance was resident Marilyn Tontoni.

Chuck Vesay stated how well, and smoothly run the Breakfast with Santa Event was this past Saturday.

Chuck Vesay then went into further discussion pertaining to the Disc Golf Course. He stated that this is not a proposal for a new course. It is an adjustment of the existing course (rotating three baskets). The design of this course would also not be attractive to anyone but seniors, as it is smaller and simply for recreational purposes only. He provided the committee with a map better showing the adjustment of the baskets. He stated that the environmental impact of this new adjustment would reduce the footprints by half of the original nine hole course. Public Works Foreman Greg Reiff stated that this would be a very simple move.

Resident Marilyn Tontoni expressed her concern for the Disc Golf course. Ms. Tontoni stated that the layout is not convenient. Several injuries have been reported and it will increase traffic in the park and Township.

Resident Bud Reich discussed the concept of playing Bocce Ball Indoors or outside in one of the Parks.

PARK UPDATE

Linda Brooks stated that the Natural Area signage is in bad shape and looks like it needs to be replaced.

Linda Brooks also provided two pictures from Windlestrae Park.

1. A picture of several rubber tires left in the woods near Disc Golf Hole #14.
2. A picture of metal poles left in the wood near Disc Golf Hole #8.

Public Works Foreman Greg Reiff said his crew will remove them from the park.

Public Works Update

Public Works Foreman Greg Reiff reported that the bids for the Tennis Courts at Rose Twig went out. He also reported that the bid went out again for the Emerald Ash Trees at Spring Valley Park. He stated that 237 trees were marked by the Township's Public Works Department. Phase Two of Autumn Woods is currently half way done and 150 trees have already been marked as well.

RECREATION UPDATE

Athletics and Recreation Coordinator Matt Reimel reported the monthly programs and number of attendees, as well as upcoming program and events.

NEW BUSINESS / OLD BUSINESS

Scott Fontaine discussed the purchase the protective netting. The information with Recreation Director Floyd Shaffer for production selection. Once the material is selected and the netting is purchased, the plan is to have the Public Works Department install the protective netting.

Linda Brooks discussed her opposition on the Disc Golf proposal and suggested it be relocated into a different park in the Township.

Kim Greene agreed with Linda and also suggested a different location.

Recommendations to the Board of Supervisors

- 1- Tony Ruggieri made a motion to recommend to the Board of Supervisors to relocate the three existing baskets on the Disc Golf Course per Mr. Vesay's diagram. Kim Greene seconded the motion. The motion was defeated 4-2 and Al Quasti abstained.
- 2- Linda Brooks made a motion to recommend to the Board of Supervisors to relocate the entire course to another area in the township. Tony Ruggieri seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 3- Tony Ruggieri made a motion to recommend to the Board of Supervisors to implement Bocce inside and outside of the Recreation Center. Kim Greene seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 4- Tony Ruggieri made a motion to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that signage be placed on Stump Road Entrance to the CRC. Kim Greene seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- 5- Kim Greene made a motion to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that signage be placed in several locations to show direction of where the Bark Park is. Scott Fontaine seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Tony Ruggieri made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm. The motion was seconded by Kim Greene. The motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 10, 2018, 7:30 pm at the Rec Center for the Re-Organizational meeting.

Submitted by
Matt Reimel