

West Goshen Township
Parks and Recreation Board
July 17, 2013

Attending: Ed Smith, Mike Pillagalli, Nancy Pine, Robert Cifone, Michael McKinley, Sara Franco, and Mary Lou Enoches

Township Representatives: Ken Lehr, Tom Steines, Dorine Hannum, and Casey LaLonde

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Ed Smith.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes from the June 19th meeting were approved on a motion by Mary Lou Enoches and seconded by Robert Cifone.

The Treasury Report was reviewed with no questions.

Parks Department: Dorine Hannum reported that the grounds crew has been busy dodging the rain in order to keep up with the grass mowing and tree and bush trimming. All ballfields have been groomed as there is a lull until September in the usage of the property.

Summer Recreation and Summer Teen Programs: The programs will run from June 24th until August 16th. This is week four of the program and all seems to be smoothly running in spite of the rain and the intense heat. The West Chester Area School District has provided us with keys so that the Teen Program may utilize the Team Rooms at Lambert Park as it provides shelter and a game room to be used as a clubhouse. A ping pong table, a foosball table, and a large screen television with a Wii system have been placed in the facility for the Summer Teen Program. Visits to the facilities will be arranged and teens will have a Lambert Park drop off on the days the facilities are to be used. There is consideration of using Lambert Park exclusively next summer for the Summer Teen Program.

Friends of West Goshen Parks: A public meeting was held on July 11th at 7:00 PM. The Friends were out in force to assist with the Decorated Bike Parade which was held on July 4th at 10:00 AM. There was discussion on membership recruitment and Larue Morgan was placed on the Board of Directors for the Friends of the Parks.

Old Business: Ken Lehr reported on the following bus trips:

June 29th: New York City on your own/ 2 busses. Outcome seemed successful.

July 21st: Citi Field/ 1 bus

August 9th: Yankee Stadium/ 1 bus

September 21st: trip planned to The Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island as they reopened on July 4th.

October 19th-20th: A bus trip is being planned with neighboring townships to the Finger Lake Region.

November 24th: Radio City Music Hall trip to New York City (Sunday)

December 7th: New York City on your own.

December 9th: Radio City Music Hall trip to New York City (Monday)

Ken Lehr reported on the following summer concert dates:

June 23rd: Ernie and Neil was a success with @ 350 in attendance

June 30th: Chester County 49ers. Held inside with an audience of @60.

July 14th: West Chester Band played for a crowd of @ 225.

July 28th: Greaseband

August 11th: Runaway Train

August 25th: Loni Gamble and Sound Cheque

The Complete Works of William Shakespeare will be presented on July 20th at 7 PM. in Community Park. This will be the ninth year at our Park!!

The Annual Decorated Bicycle Parade was held at Community Park on July 4th at 10 AM. There were around 50 bicyclists in the parade. Discussion was held on the outstanding appearance of the park grounds.

Dates have been set for the Harvest Festival on October 20th with a rain date of October 27th. A moonbounce has been ordered as an additional means of child entertainment. Times are from 2:00 PM until 4:00 PM.

Summer skatecamp with Fairman's will be held next week, July 9th-12th, at Community Park. There are 23 skaters registered.

Fred Beans of West Chester has again provided us with sponsorship for the cost of the movie rentals. Ballots will be available for making a selection of movies at the summer concert series and at the Township building and online using a smart phone or tablet. Votes will be taken until September 2nd, 2013. Movies will be shown at Community Park or the Township Building in the event of rain. Movie date are September 28th, October 5th, October 12th, and October 19th. The choices are: Brave; Hotel Transylvania; Monster's University; Oz the Great and Powerful; Rise of the Guardians; and Wreck-It-Ralph.

The township has heard back from the Hain Corporation as to the status of the Weeping Beech Tree and they have informed us that they have contracted with Bartlett Tree Service to look at the tree and its proper arborist needs. The township will follow up on this information.

New Business: A Township Blood Drive will be held at the West Goshen Township Administration Building. Sign up at the township building if you can donate.

The Park and Recreation Board was told that the Jerrechian property has a new, proper name of: Woodlands at Greystone.

On a motion by Mary Lou Enoches and a second by Robert Cifone, the meeting was adjourned at 7:31 PM.