

West Goshen Township
Park and Recreation Board Meeting
March 18, 2015

Attending: Ed Smith, Mike Pillagalli, Jerry Napiecek, Robert Cifone, Joseph Waters, Sara Franco, and Michael McKinley

Township Representatives: Ken Lehr, Dorine McClune, and Tom Steines

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes from the February 18th meeting were approved on a motion by Joseph Waters and seconded by Sara Franco.

The Treasury Report of February 28th was reviewed without discussion or questions.

Parks Department: Dorine McClune indicated the Parks department is prepping a wet Community Park for the Egg Hunt and Decorated Hat Parade and readying the sports fields. Flower beds are being cleared and prepared for plantings. The sand boxes have been replenished and the volleyball courts have been sanded and groomed for spring usage. A request for the sound system was asked for the Egg Hunt and it will be ready and in place for the event.

Summer Recreation and Summer Teen Programs: Tom Steines said applications are being accepted for counselors until March 27th and junior counselors until April 21st. Counselors must be eighteen years or older and a high school graduate. There are about 50% returning at this point. Junior counselors must be sixteen or seventeen years old. All three Teen Program Counselors are returning for a smooth transition to that program. Organization and preparations for field trips are taking place now.

Friends of West Goshen Parks: Ken Lehr reported that The Friends Board Meeting was held on March 18, 2015. The agenda included nomination of officers and a membership drive. Elections will be held at Community Park on May 7th at 7 PM. The existing slate of officers is running unopposed at this point with a spot open for a secretary. Membership renewal letters should be out in April.

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

March 21 – Cherry Blossom Festival: Cancelled due to low enrollment

April 12 - Cherry Blossom Festival

May 2 - New York City

June 13-14 – Pittsburgh

June 24 - Yankee Stadium with public and Summer Teen Program

Ken Lehr announced the schedule for the Summer Concert Series:

June 14---Cat's Pajamas

June 28--- The Greaseband

July 12---Zydeco-a-Go-Go

July 26---Love's Magic

August 9---Country Music

August 23---John Flynn

Ken Lehr said the Egg Hunt and Decorated Hat Parade is scheduled for March 28th at Community Park. Start time is 10:30 AM with volunteers expected at 9:00 AM. There may be a possible visit by Miss Pennsylvania/ Teen Pageant winner from West Goshen to aid the Easter Bunny.

Due logistic issues, the proposed June 20th showing of Jaws at ACAC will not take place. There may be a special 50th Anniversary Celebration for The Sound of Music during the Movie Series in the fall.

Ken Lehr reported on a request to privately add a piece or two of equipment to the skatepark. The offering will be discussed with the representative of the manufacturer of the present equipment in the skatepark as to the feasibility of said offering.

No further report on the Hallowell field marker. Weather and wet ground would prevent further action at this time.

The Pennsylvania Recreation and Park Society and the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation of Natural Resources will hold a Citizens and Friends Day on March 22, 2015 in Lancaster, PA. Attending for the board will be Robert Cifone.

New Business: A request was received From the American Legion for a Flag Retirement Ceremony to be held on June 13th at West Goshen Community Park. A motion was made by Jerry Napiecek and seconded by Robert Cifone to approve the event.

On a motion by Joseph Waters and a second by Robert Cifone, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.