

West Goshen Township
Park and Recreation Board
May 20, 2015

Attending: Ed Smith, Mike Pillagalli, Jerry Napiecek, Robert Cifone, Joseph Waters, Nancy Pine

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Chair Edward Smith.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes from the April 15th meeting were approved on a motion by Nancy Pine and seconded by Robert Cifone.

The Treasury Report of April 30th was reviewed without discussion or questions.

Parks Department: General preparation of parks is taking place with mowing being the focus, followed by tree trimming, and additional small projects at individual parks. The playground equipment at Barker Park has been removed and will be replaced around the second week in June. Arrival of new equipment is expected on May 21st. Shrubs and plants are being replaced at Community Park due to winter storm damage. The infield of the Little League Field at Community Park has been seeded and sod laden in spots. The boards spanning the bridge at Coppersmith Park have been replaced. A question was raised about the shed at Cloud Park. Because it is not township property, the discussion was curtailed. No major vandalism has been reported at any parks. Three summer employees have been hired.

Summer Recreation and Summer Teen Program: Tom Steines reported that registration was held on May 9th from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Park and Recreation Board volunteers were there at 7:45 AM to help in the process. The second registration was held on May 16th between 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM. Some spots are still open at all parks as registration continues at the Township Administrative Offices. Counselors are in place and junior counselor candidates are being interviewed at this writing. Orientation will take place for counselors on May 30th in the afternoon at the Township Building. The Summer Recreation Program and Summer Teen Program run from June 22nd through August 14th.

Friends of West Goshen Parks: Ken Lehr reported that the Friends' of West Goshen Parks' Annual Membership Meeting and election of officers took place the first week of May. The existing slate of officers was running unopposed at this point with a spot open for a Secretary. Serving as president is John Herley, vice-president is Larue Morgan, and treasurer is Marilyn Reich. There was a write-in vote for a candidate for the secretary position who may be announced as an officer at a later time.

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

June 13-14, 2015 – Pittsburgh. Half-filled.

June 24, 2015 - Yankee Stadium with public and Summer Teen Program

July 25, 2015 - Statue of Liberty; one bus is completely filled.

August 8, 2015 - Lower Manhattan; ten seats left as of May 20th.

September 5–7, 2015 - Boston

September 27, 2015 - Eagles and Jets at Meadowlands

Ken Lehr indicated the Summer Concert Series is as scheduled:

June 14, 2015 - Cat's Pajamas

June 28, 2015 - The Greaseband

July 12, 2015 – Zydeco-a-Go-Go

July 26, 2015 - Love's Magic

August 9, 2015 - Hometown Boyz

August 23, 2015 - John Flynn

Ken Lehr reported that Commonwealth Classic Theatre will present The Tempest on July 18 in the Community Park Amphitheatre.

There was no dogpark or skatepark update.

The footings for the Hallowell Field Marker have been poured and are awaiting the positioning of the marker.

New Business: Discussion was held on a citizen request to hold a Community Yard Sale in the township. Discussion ensued on the venue for the event if it were to happen. Mr. Lehr will be in contact with the requester.

On a motion by Robert Cifone and a second by Jerry Napiecek, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 PM.