

MONTVILLE TOWNSHIP RECREATION COMMISSION

Wednesday, September 10, 2016

7pm at the Montville Municipal Building

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Montville Township Recreation Commission was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Driscoll with the following statement being read: “As required by the Open Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided, which notice specified the date, time and place to the extent known at that time; the notice having been submitted to the Citizen of Morris County, Daily Record newspapers, filed in the Township Clerk’s office, as well as posted on the bulletin board of the Municipal Building.”

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Chair Driscoll, Vice-Chair Logan, Commissioners Moscone, VanKoppen, Marrapodi, Manfra, Director Dent and Secretary Johansen.

ABSENT: Commissioner Colaiacovo, Perretta, and Hill

LIAISONS: MBSA Tim Holmes (Absent)

BRONCOS Denise Gauweiler (Present)

GARDENS Clif Seipel (Absent) ALT – Jim Muhaw (Absent)

HOCKEY Mark Armelino (Absent) ALT – John Dec (Absent)

LACROSSE Larry Garb (Present)

SOCCER Jeff Axelrad (Present) ALT – John Lo Basso (Absent)

TWP COM Scott Gallopo (Present)

GUESTS

Melinda Jennis, Director of Pathways, made a presentation on their trip to Haiti where they helped build a school. They learned how to make bread, cook and pump water. They taught soccer to the Haitian kids and helped make concrete blocks in order to build a school. The program is for students with special needs but the programs include full inclusion with non-special needs children also. Program starts at 3 years of age and continues to 21 years of age. The kids are also taught life skills such as personal finance, writing checks, cooking, cleaning and

making beds. 80% are employed in paid positions. The participants also perform rock concerts. There is a Mentor Training Program available.

MINUTES

Motion made by Commissioner VanKoppen to approve the August 10, 2016 amended minutes, seconded by Commissioner Marrapodi, all in favor by voice vote.

COORESPONDENCE

Letter received from the Montville Township Superintendent of Schools for a request to attend a Board of Education meeting on 10/20/16 at 7pm at the HS Media Center.

DIRECTORS REPORT

Director Dent stated

OLD BUSINESS:

1. *Roller Hockey/Skate Rink* – Director Dent stated that the rink is completed. A sign with the general rules will be installed. The Opening Day ceremony is September 24th at 10am.
2. *Community Park Playground* – Director Dent stated that Playmedics submitted a repair report. The toddler swings will be replaced by the DPW. 18 benches need replaced in the playground.
3. *Community Park Turf* – Director Dent is recommending we replace the Turf field either this November or next November. Our Recreation teams and The High School have been notified. The quote includes padding under the turf. The funding is available and the Engineering Department is presently preparing specs for the project.
4. *Camp Dawson Netting* – Mark Mantyla is looking at it to see if needs replacing or can be fixed.
5. *Camp Dawson Barn & Snack Stand* – An architect will be looking at the second floor of the barn for possible future use by the sports teams. An elevator, sprinkler system and HVAC would have to be installed. The snack stand needs to be upgraded. Director Dent will report back on this.

6. *Community Park projects* – Vending machines were filled. Two water fountains were vandalized. Parts are being ordered to repair the fountains.
7. *AED training* – Director Dent would like assess how many coaches are already certified on the AED and CPR and recommends that our organizations pose this question on their registration forms.

NEW BUSINESS

1. *Community Park Grass Fields*– Director Dent stated that the field condition is not good due to lack of rain.
2. *Operating/Capital Budget* – Director Dent is preparing the budget. Theresa will be moving to the Health Dept to be a Dial-A- Ride driver. Organizations will be responsible for cost of the background checks going forward as of 1/1/17. Matt is currently working 15 hours per week.
3. *Morris County Open Trails* – Commissioner VanKoppen would like to make sure that the Recreation commission is involved in the planning of the trails. Liaison Gallapo stated that Director Dent should notify the Township Committee of their interest in being involved.

PUBLIC SESSION

None

LIAISON’S REPORTS:

BRONCOS – Liaison Gauweiler stated that football and cheerleading have started. Mustangs will be holding a Casino night and they are requesting donations from each organization.

GARDENS – Liaison Seipel absent, no report.

HOCKEY – Liaison Armelino absent, his emailed report stated that ice hockey has started and registration for roller hockey is going on now for a fall program.

LACROSSE – Liaison Garb stated that it’s their off season. He would like to use Camp Dawson for 8th grade playoffs in June.

MBSA – Liaison Holmes, absent, no report. Commissioner Manfra stated that fall travel baseball is in season.

SOCCER ASSOCIATION – Liaison Axelrad stated that the season began last week. He stated that the field gold posts on field 4 are very rusted. Director Dent will have DPW look at them.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE – Liaison Gallapo stated that two engineers were hired. One will be in Water & Sewer and one in Engineering. Ordinances are being worked on for Tobacco, Dog Park (weight change) and Trails. The Environmental Commission was overseeing trails. Recreation should also be involved. They are looking to install cameras at Camp Dawson and Community Park. The storage container at Masar needs to be relocated. Director Dent stated they are looking to relocate it to the right side of the driveway, set back in the trees.

VOUCHERS: On a motion made by Commissioner Logan, seconded by Commissioner Manfra the August vouchers presented for payment were approved by voice vote.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday October 12, 2016 at 7pm - at Montville Township Municipal Building

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to discuss, on a motion made by Commissioner Marrapodi, seconded by Commissioner Manfra, the meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Johansen, Secretary