

Minutes from the Park and Recreation Board
March 21, 2005

In Attendance: Mark Bainbridge, Jill Givler, Jim Lauckner, Greg Newell, Rob Bebee, Mary Jacobson, Deb Schiller (WTPA).

Meeting commenced at 7:30PM.

Since we did not have a quorum for February's meeting, there were no minutes to approve.

Correspondence:

We received the notice that the Devereux Conditional Use Approval township meeting originally scheduled for March 24, 2005, has been cancelled.

We received a copy of the certificates of insurance for both the soccer and baseball programs of the Glenmoore Eagle Youth Association (GEYA).

We received an application for the DCNR and PRPS Parks and Rec Boards of Chester County workshop on May 11, 2005. Jim is considering signing up and attending.

Supervisor's Report:

Mark Bainbridge attended the Supervisor's March meeting and reported back to the P&R Board. Mark reported the following:

- Mike Serzan from DARC will be at the P&R's April 18th meeting to discuss DARC programs and invited all who wish to attend.
- Mark has joined the Wallace Open Space Referendum group as the P&R Board liaison.
- the P&R Board appointed Jim Lauckner Vice Chairman.

Committee Reports:

We reviewed multiple copies of the P&R By-Laws/Constitution. We discussed these copies and decided on one to be transcribed into an MS Word document. Jim Lauckner will have this taken care of.

Deb Schiller (WTPA) informed the P&R Board of the highlights of the WTPA's last meeting. She informed the board of a Trail Clearing Party on April 2, 2005.

Mary will be contacting Dennis Shores to get the GGS softball schedule for Wagonseller Park.

Old Business:

Tony Yanella completed his Eagle Scout at Wagonseller park.

Jim will email the board his cover letter for the P&R Board's Five Year Plan. Once approved by the board, we will submit the Five Year Plan to the Supervisors.

Mark offered to the Planning Commission the P&R Board's assistance with the Woolridge Development.

New Business:

The Downingtown School District will be rebuilding two schools, Pickering and East Brandywine Elementary. Pickering will be built on the same property, right next to the current building. However, the East Brandywine Elementary building is not as simple. There is an issue regard the sewer system, which would cost the District a significant amount of money to move forward. Greg, being the expert on this subject, explained all of the details. The District owns a lot of property behind the Indiantown Fields down on Fairview Road. They are looking into building the new school on that lot. They would need more than one access to the lot in order to do so. Plans to accomplish this are being evaluated. If this does happen, the school would maintain all of the fields and would also make their facilities available for the township. The P&R Board are very much in favor of the School District building the school on this property from what has been heard so far. Once the board receives the school proposal, if it is favorable the P&R Board, the board will send an approval letter for the school on Fairview.

The P&R Board appointed Mary Jacobson Secretary of the P&R Board.

The P&R Board will be trying to recruit a new member who will be a liaison to the Planning Commission.

Supervisors Meeting Appointees:

April – Jim

May – Jill

Meeting adjourned at 9:300PM.