

Byram Township Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 18, 2009

1. Call to order at 7:35 pm followed by Flag Salute and Moment of Silence
2. Roll Call: W. Schilling, J. Pappalardo, C. Kranz, J. Hebble present – No quorum
3. Review of minutes with noted correction under Strategic Planning
4. T. Church arrived at 7:40 pm – Quorum – Minutes accepted 5 – 0 (Moved by J. Hebble, Seconded by J. Pappalardo)
5. Meeting open to public discussion for scouting presentations at 7:45 pm
 - a. Mike Yonos (Troop 276) – Eagle Scout Project – Mike would like to build two bocce courts at C.O. Johnson Park between the skate park and trees behind Field 3. Mike presented packets to the committee containing detailed plans. He was well versed in what he needed to accomplish and set specific timelines. Committee members made some minor suggestions and Mike will take these into account. Committee gave tentative approval to project based on the outcome of meeting with A. Steyh and J. Meisner. In addition, final approval must be procured from J. Sabatini, Township Manager.
 - b. Kelly Baron – Gold Award Project – Kelly would like to run a carnival to raise funds for Relay for Life. She discussed her plans for rides, booths and food. Also discussed with the committee was insurance coverage, need for generators, sign postings, and port-a-johns. Suggested location was Neil Gylling Park on Saturday of Memorial Day weekend. Rain date would be Sunday. Committee recommended that Kelly do more planning and this project was moved to the volunteer sub-committee along with J. Meisner and J. Sabatini to determine final feasibility.
6. Meeting was closed to public discussion at 8:25 pm for Committee Reports.
 - a. A/B Chamber of Commerce – No substantial issues
 - b. Bd. Of Ed. – Email exchange between K. Walsh and G. Strauss, Supt. Of Schools, concerning meeting to discuss use of space in schools for our programs. Meeting is not scheduled as of this time.
 - c. B & G – J. Hebble states that a couple of stairs need to be replaced on stairs to soccer fields at C.O. Johnson. Also, much discussion took place concerning the proposed interior wall in the C.O. Johnson clubhouse. (I believe this has been completed as of this time.) In addition, the Strategic Planning Committee was assigned the responsibility of researching short and long term space solutions. Finally, township is looking to open fields April 4, weather and conditions permitting.
 - d. LVMA – No report
 - e. O. S. – Meeting on April 11
 - f. Scouting – See above and Amy Rochette is continuing work at Riverview Park.
 - g. S. C. – Meeting took place last month
 - h. S. P. – See above
 - i. Y. G., C. L., Rec. Dir., and DPW – No report

7. Sub-Committee Reports
 - a. Budget – Basically it was cut
 - b. Memorials and Hon. – Goal is to complete and send to council on April 15.
 - c. Volunteer – Need 2nd draft for April meeting
 - d. Cap. Imp. – No report
 - e. Programs – No report
 - f. Coop. w/ Towns – No report

8. Re-open to public discussion at 9:07 pm – Scott Brady and son (Scott Jr.), residents of Tomahawk area would like to see improvements at Mountain Heights Park. Their focus was on refurbishing basketball court and installation of playground equipment for small children. Committee will take their request under advisement.

9. Motion to end meeting at 9:45 pm by J.P. and 2nd by T.C. – Approved 5 – 0.