

PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Bedford Township Hall

8100 Jackman Road

April 22, 2019 7:00 P.M.

Present: Jerry Goodridge, Chair, , Carol Laurie, Connie Velliquette, Rusty Wilke.

Also Present: Nancy Crandell, TC Clements. Excused: Sally Dunn

1. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. by Chair Goodridge, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Approval of the Agenda: Motion was made by Velliquette, seconded by Laurie to approve the Parks Board agenda of the April 22, 2019 Park Board meeting, all ayes. Motion carried.
3. Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by Velliquette and seconded by Laurie to approve the Parks Board minutes of the April 8, 2019 Park Board meeting, all ayes. Motion carried.
4. Secretary's Report: Laurie reported a large amount of catalogs have been received. Also requested additional envelopes for the fireworks sponsor letters.
5. Treasurer's Report: Wilke noted expenses for period totaling \$\$7,315.46 and includes receivables of \$1,955 for the Telecom Tower at Carr Park. Motion to approve treasurer's report made by Wilke, seconded by Velliquette. Roll Call: all ayes. Motion carried.
6. Presentations: none.
7. Community Education: Rodney Orzechowski has been hired and will be introduced at the next meeting. Crandell noted the lack of coaches for soccer; need 3-5 more to complete the teams registered. Also noted a lot of requests for use of ball diamonds. Crandell will submit new invoice from Bedford Schools Facilities Department for dragging the ball diamonds (less mowing costs from previous invoice.) Crandell to check ball diamonds to make sure they are ready for play.
8. Comments from the Public: none.
9. Old / New Business:
 - a. **Miller Park Sale:** PERC test completed and okay. Waiting to hear closing information from Sprott.
 - b. **Youth Baseball Contracts:** SEM Pirates, Blast and 3B contracts signed. Velliquette gave 3B the electric bill of \$1600 for the lights. Fence is on hold; may fix area instead of replacing. Noted that fence along Douglas is more critical and consider raising the fence along Consear. Changes will require new estimates.
 - c. **Ansted Park:** Discussion to move fence back 20' for more parking area. Wilke to provide a drawing showing fence and stone to path for emergency access. Velliquette will meet with Wilke to discuss drawing. Velliquette also noted conversation with Fire Chief about farmer mowing grass when fields dry. May wait.
 - d. **Rental of Facilities:** Discussion to update rental forms and consider adding block dates. Noted use of White by Cricket was in violation of contract. Rental forms need to specify what its being used for, by whom. Suggested tabling until have a chance to review old form and check into block out dates.
 - e. **Fireworks:** Paperwork has been completed. All but insurance contract turned in; Goodridge will talk to Gin about finalizing that paperwork.
 - f. **Samaria Park:** Goodridge introduced contract for use of the ball diamond by Blast/Select. Pete Zapadka reported the shared use by Blast (11 year old) and Select (12 year old) teams will bring in 11 teams visiting the area along with neighbors. Pete Zapadka and Goodridge signed the one-year contract for use of Samaria Park's ball diamond.
 - g. **White Park:** Previous discussion. On hold for new bids.
 - h. **Parmelee Park:** Goodridge discussed having Consumer's to look at power for lighting. Will check costs for game use by SEM.
 - i. **Indian Creek:** Previous discussion on Bedford Schools invoice. Park maintenance completed work on ball

diamonds. Need to work on brush/creek beds when dry. Velliquette will supervise.

j. **Carr Park:** Nothing noted.

k. **Wheeler Preserve:** Velliquette presented a 4-phase plan for Woody Vegetation Control to control invasive species. Velliquette submitted motion for Perf-A-Lawn to complete the four phases, seconded by Laurie. Wilke submitted a friendly amendment to approve phase one at a cost of \$4,000, seconded by Laurie. Motion to approve the purchase of one desert sand colored double-sided kiosk from Kirby for \$1,518.00 made by Laurie, seconded by Velliquette. Motion by Laurie to order one 8' park bench with center arm rest by Kirby in desert sand for \$978.00 plus shipping costs, seconded by Velliquette. Will let Fortin know choices to order as part of Wheeler Preserve Plan. Laurie to check with Township maintenance about installation.

10. Comments from the Public: none.

11. Commissioner's Comments: Clements noted that Township is done with budget meetings and ready to go for a vote. Noted also necessity of following bid process.

12. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Velliquette, seconded by Laurie all ayes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m. by Goodridge.

Respectfully submitted

Nancy Crandell