

**EAST LAMPETER TOWNSHIP
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
April 27, 2016**

The East Lampeter Township Parks and Recreation Board met on Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at the Township Office: 2250 Old Philadelphia Pike, Lancaster, PA 17602. Board members present were: Conrad Kasperson, Jim Everhart, Chris Chretien, Diane Tyson and John Lamparter. Also present was Charlie Thomas, Public Works Director. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Approval of Minutes:

Conrad Kasperson made a motion to approve the March 21, 2016 minutes as presented. John Lamparter seconded the motion and it was passed by unanimous voice vote.

Recreation:

Baseball is in full swing. The Midgets are mowing the grass which is not needed.

Mr. Chretien will call/email the Midget representative to let him know that the Township will mow. The fields are all scheduled.

Grounds, Buildings & Trails:

Millersville University students sealed all of the bollards at Flory Park East and West and were also able to put on a second coat. Linden Hill Mennonite School students worked at Lafayette Park to paint the bollards and split rail fencing. This was a big help to the Public Works department.

Mr. Joel Bare and neighbors will clean up around Gibbon's Park. This event will be part of the Great American Clean Up which helps the Township with its MS4 efforts.

C.S. Davidson, a York Company, is scoping out Mill Creek for a possible company environmental project. An employee of the company lives on Witmer Road along the creek.

About 200 trees were planted on the lower end of Community Park. There is a swing broken at Flory East. Mr. Thomas is looking to budget replacing the playground equipment next year. The snail at Community Park also needs repaired. The train wheels will be replaced. The flagpole at Community was moved to the entrance. All flags will have solar lights soon.

Water samples taken from Community Park came out fine. It will be tested once a month. Flory Park is on City water so no testing is required.

Old Business:

Mr. Lamparter reported on National Night Out. A Conestoga Valley student who is a firefighter is spearheading the effort. Most of the activity will be at Lafayette Fire Company but some activities may be scheduled at Lafayette Park. Mr. Lamparter encouraged him to come to the Board if they

need to use the park to explain what activities would take place. The Board wants activities to take place in the parks and would consider amendments to the current park rules if needed.

There was no update on the DCNR grant.

New Business:

Lafayette Fire Company requested to use the ballfield at Lafayette Park. Mr. Chretien will give them the schedule so they can pick a date that isn't scheduled.

The Board will consider banning drones in the parks. FAA rules may already ban them within 5 miles of an airport. Mr. Lamparter also brought up the high level of hot air balloon traffic too. Ms. Tyson questioned the need. Mr. Everhart asked about liability. Questions were raised if model airplanes would be banned also. The Board will look over current regulations before making recommendations. Initial feelings were not to address a problem that doesn't exist now. The Board will check over the regulations as due diligence.

Mr. Kasperson thanked the Board for making his time on the Board enjoyable as this is his last meeting. The Board thanked him for his 9 years of service, especially his time served as Chairman.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Lampeter and seconded by Mr. Chretien. The next meeting is scheduled for May 25, 2016 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Tyson
Secretary