

**EAST LAMPETER TOWNSHIP
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
May 24, 2017**

The East Lampeter Township Parks and Recreation Board met on Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at the Township Office: 2250 Old Philadelphia Pike, Lancaster, PA 17602. Board members present were: Chris Chretien, Diane Tyson, Jim Everhart, and Joel Bare. Absent was Blayde Eberly. Also present were Ralph Hutchison, Township Manager and Charlie Thomas, Public Works Director. The meeting was called to order at 7 pm.

Public:

Abby Gruber, Soccer Shop
Brad Kiser
Connie Kiser

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Chretien made a motion to approve the April 26, 2017 minutes as presented. Mr. Bare seconded the motion and it was passed by unanimous voice vote.

Recreation:

Everything is in full swing. The Little League is mowing the infield at Flory Park but the Township will mow the outfield.

Grounds, Buildings & Trails:

Flowers were picked up on May 23, 2017. Greenleaf Enterprises donated 25 flats of flowers. The Township also received donations from Conestoga Valley Greenhouse, Greenfield Growers, Ken's Garden, Shady Willow Greenhouse, Shenk's Greenhouse, and Zook's Greenhouse.

The concession stand lights had been shot out and there has been evidence of drug activity. The alleged perpetrators have been charged, so the Township may get reimbursed. The development of a new Memory Lane at Lafayette Park is now underway. The first plaque will be installed next week.

Old Business:

The RFP for the study are due on Friday, May 26, 2017. The Steering Committee will review and interview finalists. The final selection should be made in about 6 weeks. Ten firms have expressed interest.

New Business:

Ms. Tyson nominated Mr. Chretien as Vice Chairman due to John Lamparter's retirement from the Board. Mr. Bare seconded the nomination. All voted in favor. The Township is in the process of hiring a park superintendent.

Public Comment:

Ms. Abby Gruber from Soccer Shop, which runs a program for 3-8 year olds, is interested in running a program at Flory Park. The programs usually run in the evenings from 5 to 7 during the week or on Saturday mornings. She stated that they are a for-profit company. Current park regulations prohibit for-profit organizations and businesses from using the park facilities. The Board suggested that public/private use of park facilities be studied in the open space study/planning grant.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made. The next meeting is scheduled for June 28, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Tyson
Secretary