

**TOWNSHIP OF SPRING
PARK & RECREATION BOARD**

**MINUTES
January 24, 2008**

The meeting of the Park and Recreation Board was called to order at the Spring Township Municipal Building at 7:03 PM by R. Bashore. In attendance: R. Bashore, D. Daniels, K. Dunn, S. Faust, B. Herbine, T. Hettinger, J. Houck, D Moatz, and L. Wicks.

Reorganization: Motion made by K. Dunn nominating R. Bashore for Chair, APPROVED. Motion made by Bashore nominating Herbine for Vice Chair, APPROVED. Herbine moved that remaining slate of officers be filled with current officers, APPROVED.

Minutes of November 15, 2007 Meeting: Motion to approve by Daniels, seconded by Dunn. - MOTION CARRIED.

Courtesy of the Floor: NONE

The January 2008 General Report and budget summary as of December 31, 2007 were reviewed and accepted. Supervisor minutes pertaining to Parks, Recreation and Public Property were reviewed.

OLD BUSINESS

Shiloh Hills Park – Houck waiting for approval from DEP for sanitary sewer line.

Greenways/Trails Project – the RFP for design of the trail at Schoener Lake was approved by Greenways committee, scheduled for Supervisor approval next week. March Greenways Trails meeting will be set for interviews of consultants who submit proposals.

2008 Budget – Houck distributed 2008 budget for General Fund, Capital Fund and Parks Capital Funds. There used to be a separate Recreation Fund, which is now combined with the General Fund. All accounts stayed the same, but some categories were combined.

Comprehensive Plan – contract was awarded to YSM, and a date must be made to meet with consultants. YSM proposed last Wednesday of the month beginning in February, however that date did not suite several board members. The board counter-proposed the third Monday of the month, and Houck will advise.

ActiveNet – Houck reviewed the Transaction Activity Report from ActiveNet, as well as the Activity Overview Report. Bashore inquired if the community had any comments on the current fee structure. Houck stated some groups who had formerly received facilities at no charge questioned why there would now be a fee, and each inquiry will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

NEW BUSINESS

Winter/Spring Brochure - favorable comments were mentioned by the Board. Herbine asked if consideration was ever made for putting a page in for community news, such as Muhlenberg has done. Hettinger stated it has been questioned where the line would be drawn on the number of people who would be able to submit articles, and also that many neighborhoods put out their own newsletter.

Community Association question - Houck relayed information from a phone call asking what would happen if an association cannot pay their utility bills. She stated that the township has not budgeted to help with utilities any more this year. Recognizing that some community associations may no longer be viable, and also

that the township has always required an active association is a prerequisite for a playground site, she will ask the consultants of the comprehensive plan for suggestions for situations such as this.

General Comments – Herbine asked whether there has been an improvement in facilities scheduling times with Wilson School District. Hettinger said she has not yet had an opportunity to see if there is a change.

ANNOUNCEMENTS –

Next meeting – February 21, 2008 at 7 PM.

There being no other business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Deb Moatz", written over a light gray grid background.

Deb Moatz, Secretary
Spring Township Park & Recreation Board