



DOYLESTOWN TOWNSHIP PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

Meeting Notes – March 13, 2012

The regular meeting of the Doylestown Township Park and Recreation Board was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 13, 2012, at the Doylestown Township Administrative office.

- In attendance: John Bray, Kathy Brown (Vice Chairman), Allison Hamilton, Susan Reichwein, Jan Suessenguth, Rick Colello and Karen Sweeney.
- Absent: Don Borden
- Guests: N/A

Meeting Notes

The February 14, 2012 meeting notes were unanimously approved on a motion made by Ms Hamilton and second by Ms. Suessenguth

Guests N/A

Correspondence N/A

Plan Review

1845 S Easton Road (Nejad) - Following discussion, the board agreed that there are no relevant park and recreation issues/concerns.

Ongoing Old Business

Dog Park Update: Ms. Brown reported on the status of the dog park and announced that the groundbreaking would be held on March 15th at 5:00pm.

By motion, Ms. Brown also requested that the P&R Board support the creation of a Dog Park Committee (DPC) to be made up of township/borough residents and Friends of Doylestown Dog Park (FDDP) representative. She explained that while the FDDP would continue to hold clean-up and fundraising activities, they did not wish to be involved in day-to-day operations. She suggested that the DPC could assist in an advisory capacity with general oversight, registrations, complaint resolution, etc. The motion was seconded by Ms. Reichwein and unanimously endorsed.

Ms. Brown thanked the P&R Board for their support and noted that she would forward a written request for consideration at an upcoming Board of Supervisor's meeting.

Game Grove: Mr. Bray reported that he had been in contact with Dick John and was hopeful that the site would be installed by late spring/early summer.

Ms. Brown noted that there are ongoing occurrences of golfers hitting through and around the trees in the Game Grove area.

Ms. Sweeney indicated that she regularly speaks with individuals to remind them that golf is permitted from tee to green only. She noted that with the absence of enforcement there is little else she can do. She suggested additional signage might help.

Mr. Bray suggested waiting on new signage until the game grove completed.

The Board discussed sponsorship for the site furnishings similar to that done for benches by the

Bike/Hike Committee. Following discussion, Mr. Bray suggested a sponsorship price of \$500 above purchase price. He suggested including the information in the next program guide.

Ms. Sweeney noted that space and time relative to the next program guide was tight but would try to get something in. Mr. Bray noted that any marketing pieces would need to be specific and creative. Ms. Brown noted that her son could help pull a promotional piece together.

Concern was also expressed whether or not sponsorship of these items fall subject to the Townships Naming Policy. It was agreed that, sponsorship was more closely related to items like walkway pavers and pickets at Kids' Castle. It was agreed this should be confirmed before selling the items.

Sensory Enrichment Trail: Ms. Sweeney reported that Board of Supervisors had supported the trail concept and gave their blessing to move forward. She noted that the next step was to identify and estimated budget and timeline and begin to seek funds.

Other Business

Parkway Opening: Ms. Sweeney reported the 202 Parkway opening is anticipated in the fall of 2012 and that the pre-opening event is scheduled for September 16th.

Programs/Events: Ms. Sweeney noted that the Healthy Kids, Get Up, Get Out and Play (formerly World Wide Day of Play) was scheduled for April 28th and encouraged the board to once again participate with an onsite activity. Following discussion, it was agreed the board would coordinate the giant trike-bike activity as well as cup stacking.

Adjournment

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm on a motion by Ms. Brown, seconded by Ms. Reichwein and unanimously approved.