

**Middle Smithfield Township**  
**Parks and Recreation Board**  
**September 9, 2013**

The regular meeting of the Middle Smithfield Township Parks and Recreation Board was held on September 9, 2013 and began with a flag salute at 6:36 p.m. at the Schoonover Municipal Building with Joyce Fenical, Chairperson, presiding.

In attendance were: Members of the Public -- None-MST Liaison -- Erin Groome; Board of Supervisors - Michael Dwyer (arrived at 6:36p.m.) Parks Advisory Committee Members -- Holly Halterman, Bill Bonser; and Parks and Recreation Board Members -- Karen Conway, Bill Suriano, Jeff Reichl (available via phone conference from 6:40p.m. to 7:42 p.m.) and Joyce Fenical.

Chairperson Fenical reminded everyone present to be courteous while others are speaking and asked for no "sidebar" conversations to occur.

**Minutes**

Karen Conway made a motion to accept the minutes of August 5, 2013, while Bill Suriano seconded the motion. Motion approved 3-0.

**Correspondence**

Erin Groome reported that there was one (1) correspondence received a Parks Survey form from an anonymous person.

**Old Business**

Erin Groome distributed a list of state authorized vendors of parks/playground equipment.

Mr. Reichl motioned, and Ms. Conway seconded, to recommend to the Board of Supervisors the establishment of a daily (dawn to dusk) rental fee of \$150.00 for residents renting a park pavillion, with \$50.00 of that fee considered to be a refundable security deposit. Motion carried 4-0.

Supervisor Dwyer reported the township received two (2) bids for the Echo Lake Pavillion; one (1) for \$49,000.00 and one (1) for \$12,000.00. Mr. Dwyer spoke to the low bidder, CB Structures of New Holland, PA. and believes this to be a legitimate and reasonable bid for a Pavillion (minus utilities and concrete) and shared pictures of such. He indicated that the town will offer this bid to CB Structures and believes the Pavillion can be completed on/before the next parks Board meeting.

Mrs. Fenical asked that each Lead Coordinator conduct a park's assessment and be prepared to present a summary at the next Parks Board meeting in October.

## **New Business**

### **Resica Park**

Erin Groome, Karen Conway and Supervisor Dwyer reviewed and presented an update on the "Day in the Park" event scheduled for September 21 (Rain Date 9-22-13).

Currently there are 26 Vendors scheduled. There is a great need for volunteers to which Mrs. Conway will address aggressively over the next ten (10) days. Mr. Bonser express a need for assistance for the children's games; Bill Suriano offered to personally assist him. He also indicated that prizes are needed; Ms. Conway indicated that Deborah Kulick will address this need.

Karen Conway and Bill Bonser agreed to meet on Thursday 9/12 to work on volunteers and needs. Mrs. Fenical and Mrs. Halterman indicated they would set up a "Pop Corn" vending booth to raise money at the "Day in the Park" event. Mr. Dwyer will supply Park members with vests on 9-22-13.

### **Judy Putek Park**

Karen Conway reported that the residents and sub-committee members seem to be very happy with how things are being handled at the park and are grateful for the dirt supplied by the township.

### **Echo Lake Park**

A discussion took place on a fundraiser for the anticipated new Pavillion. There were brief verbal reports from Board Members regarding selling "Bricks" to sponsors in order to raise money. Since a number of places ( i.e. Polar Engraving, Bricks R' Us, Old Mill Impressions) were internet companies it was difficult to obtain references and information about local Pennsylvania organizations using their "Brick" products to raise money.

Mr. Dwyer suggested contacting a local company, Zacharias Masonry. Mrs. Fenical said she would follow-up and contact Zacharias for details and report to the Board at its next meeting.

## **Announcements**

Mrs. Fenical thanked Resorts USA/Fernwood Company for donating twelve (12) wooden log type benches; nine (9) for Echo Lake and three (3) for Judy Putek .

## **Next Meeting(s)**

October 7 (Monday) 2013 at 6:30 p.m. and November 6 (Wednesday), 2013, 6:30 p.m.

Karen Conway made a motion, and Bill Suriano seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Bill Suriano. Secretary and Vice Chair  
Parks and Recreation Board