Call to Order – Sherri Glass, Assistant Secretary, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Bethel Township Building, 60 Klahr Road, Bethel, PA

Roll Call – Members in attendance were Darlene Orendo, Mark Shirk, Sherri Glass, alternates Rodney Keeney and Dale Stump; Don Almond was absent. Jacob Meyer Township Supervisor was present.

Reorganization – Asst. Secretary Sherri Glass called for nominations for Chairman. Darlene Orendo nominated Don Almond, seconded by Dale Stump. Nominations closed and Sherri Glass called for the vote to elect Don Almond Chairman. All agree. Motion carried.

Asst. Secretary Sherri Glass called for nominations for Vice Chairman. Sherri Glass nominated Darlene Orendo. Darlene declined. Dale Stump nominated Mark Shirk, seconded by Sherri Glass. Nominations closed and Sherri Glass called for the vote to elect Mark Shirk Vice Chairman. All agree. Motion carried.

Vice Chairman Mark Shirk called for nominations for Secretary. Mark Shirk nominated Sherri Glass, seconded by Rodney Keeney. Nominations closed and Mark Shirk called for the vote to elect Sherri Glass Secretary. All agree. Motion carried.

Vice Chairman Mark Shirk called for nominations for Assistant Secretary. Mark Shirk nominated Darlene Orendo, seconded by Sherri Glass. Nominations closed and Mark Shirk called for the vote to elect Darlene Orendo Assistant Secretary. All agree. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes – Dale Stump made a motion to accept the November 21, 2019 minutes. Sherri Glass seconded. All agree. Motion carried. December 19, 2019 meeting cancelled.

Public Comment -

a. Mike Glass, a member of Tulpehocken Baseball Club, inquired about the possibility of the Club using the Frystown baseball field for T-ball, softball, and
baseball (minors and majors), for practice and possible games. He also inquired about use of the snack bar. The Board told him they are in favor of the field being used but that there was a contract with Viking Baseball Club and they had first use of the field. Members of the Viking Baseball Club have been invited to the February 20th Rec. Board meeting. Mr. Glass was asked if he could also attend the February meeting to get some of his questions answered regarding possible dates to use the field.

**Unfinished Business –**

1. **Tree lighting ceremony report –**

   a. Sherri Glass mentioned that the candy canes needed to be replaced and a few ornaments. Members discussed using more lights if the tree is big and possibly using all white lights for a change.

   b. The Board set 11/21/2020 as the date for tree set-up. 11/29/2020 as tree lighting date with 12/6/2020 as the rain date.

   c. Rodney Keeney mentioned the possibility of sharing the tree lighting duties if anyone would be willing. Bethel has done it for 10 years. A discussion will be held at the February meeting when all members are present.

2. **Multi-Municipal Partnership –**

   a. A public meeting by the Partnership was held on 1/15/2020 at Tulpehocken Administration Bldg. Jane does not have the minutes, perhaps Rodney could get them from Christy.

   b. Response to their survey was handed out.

   c. Supervisor Jacob Meyer said Bethel Township is currently looking for 1 or 2 persons to attend trainings to learn how to write grants.

3. **Frystown Playground –**

   a. Rusty Fox and Viking Baseball Club members were invited to our February meeting. Sherri will call to remind him of date and to bring a schedule.
b. The Board would like a definite schedule from the Viking Baseball Club, a copy of their try-out form, and any possible fundraising information if they are soliciting funds from the Bethel Township community.

c. Port a potty delivery will be scheduled for delivery April 1, 2020.

d. A clean-up/maintenance date will be set at our February meeting.

4. Recreation Land –

a. Work detail, weather permitting, scheduled for 1/25/20. Rodney will check on availability of wood chipper.

b. The bid packets were discussed. Supervisor Jacob Meyer will speak to township engineer about the status of the packets.

(as a follow up note – Rodney Keeney attended the 1/20/20 Supervisor’s meeting and spoke with the township engineer. Bid packets will go out 2/3/20 and are due back 3/10/20. The Supervisors will open them at their March meeting.)

5. Invoice –

a. Permission to submit an invoice for the Recreation Board banner for $70.00 was granted. Moved by Darlene Orendo, seconded by Mark Shirk. All agree.

New Business –

a. No new plans to review.

b. Rec. Board members agreed they should replace former member Bonnie Behney. Darlene has someone in mind and will ask her. Other Rec. Board members said they would also try to find a replacement.

Adjourn –

a. Next meeting date was set for February 20, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Bethel Township Office.

b. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sherri Glass, Recreation Board Secretary