

BETHEL TOWNSHIP
Recreation Board Minutes
August 20, 2020

Recreation Board Chairman, Don Almond, called the Recreation Board meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. at the Bethel Township Office, 60 Klahr Road, Bethel PA.

Roll Call - Members in attendance were: Don Almond, Mark Shirk, Sherri Glass, Rodney Keeney and Dale Stump. Absent: Darlene Orendo.

Approval of Minutes - July 16, 2020 meeting. Don made motion. Dale seconded. All agree.

Public Comment -

1. Resident questioned decision to allow the Hometown Hero banners to remain up all year round that was discussed at the Supervisor's August meeting. She mentioned that in December, 2018 it was also discussed at a Rec. Board meeting and it was voted that they would be put up in May and taken down in November as per the original agreement with the residents that paid for their banners. If banners are left up all year long and taken down when tattered and torn that it would be taxpayer's money being used to buy new ones. A banner cost approx. \$250.00 depending on how many are ordered at one time. They mentioned that the banners in other townships that are left up all year long do not look nice because they are so worn.
 - a. The Recreation Board decided they would wait until the results of the survey sent to residents who purchased the banners was compiled to make their recommendation on this matter to the Supervisors.

Unfinished Business -

1. Tree lighting ceremony report.
 - a. A decision to hold the ceremony, due to Covid-19 concerns, will be made at the September meeting.
 - b. A tree will be put up even if there is no ceremony. Need at least a 16' tree. Rodney will check on having one donated.
2. Multi-municipal Partnership update.
 - a. No report given.

3. Frystown Playground.
 - a. Address of playground is 5 Chestnut St. Myerstown, PA 17067
 - b. Request will be sent to Public Works Dept. to turn water on.
 - c. It was mention that Zimmerman's mulch sells playground mulch. A call will be made to them for prices. Don will stop in and look at their mulch to see if it meets specifications for the playground.

4. Recreation Land.
 - a. Don met with township engineer about placement for the pavilion and utilities. Engineer will draw up plans.
 - b. Call being placed to Met-Ed to determine owner of electric line that runs through property.
 - c. Boy Scouts cleaned up additional area along the walking path and spread wood chips.
 - d. Don sprayed the weeds before they spread wood chips.
 - e. Some damage was done by 4-wheelers riding on the path. It was decided to put up a sign similar to the one at the Frystown playground to deter vandalism.

New Business

1. New Residential/Commercial plans (if any).
2. Ask Jayne for a monthly financial statement to be shared at our meeting.

Adjourn - Rodney made motion. Don seconded. All agree.

Next Recreation Board Meeting - September 17, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Sherri Glass, Recreation Board Secretary**