

MEETING MINUTES
March 18, 2014

A Meeting of the New Britain Township Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held on March 18, 2014 at the Township Administration Building, 207 Park Avenue, New Britain Township, Pa., beginning at 7:00 p.m. In attendance were: Robert Ralston, William Jones, Marco Tustanowsky, Dan Mackintosh, Charles Maeyer, Regina Armitage, James Bender and Nancy Jones. Also, in attendance were Wayne Fultz, Scott Ambron and Jo Ann Lapp, New Britain Township Staff.

Reorganization

Appointment of Temporary Chair: Mr. Bender nominated Mr. Mackintosh, seconded by Mr. Ralston and unanimously carried.

Mr. Mackintosh called for nominations for Chair and Vice Chair. Mr. Bender nominated Mr. Tustanowsky for Chair, seconded by Mrs. Armitage and unanimously carried.

Mr. Mackintosh nominated Mr. Ralston for Vice Chair, seconded by Mr. Bender and unanimously carried.

1. Approval of Minutes of November 19, 2013: Upon motion by Mr. Mackintosh, seconded by Mr. Ralston, the November 19, 2013 minutes were approved as written.

2. Easter Egg Hunt Volunteers: Mrs. Lapp asked who would be available to help at the Easter Egg Hunt. A majority of the Board will be available. Mr. Ralston will not be available; Mr. Ambron told the Board that he knew how to run the PA system.

Mr. Ralston asked if there was any way that all age groups could be on the same side of the park road. Mr. Fultz and Mr. Ambron will look into it, but it will depend on the weather and field conditions.

3. Parade: Mrs. Lapp asked if the bands in the parade must stay the same each year, stating that they are getting very expensive. The Board agreed that even though the bag pipers are expensive, they are a crowd favorite. They also agreed that Galena Brass Band could be replaced.

Mrs. Armitage asked about the Doylestown School of Rock. Mr. Ralston stated that they were not in last year's parade because they did not have a trailer. Mr. Fultz stated that the Public Works Department has a truck and trailer that they could use. Mr. Ralston will talk to them and ask them to participate.

The Board agreed that there will be no soft pretzels this year. Mrs. Lapp will look into pretzel nuggets.

4. Other Business: Mr. Bender asked if the Township would consider movies in the park. He knows someone who has the equipment and charges \$350. He added that he has sponsorship from North Wales Water. The consensus of the Board agreed this is a good idea. Mr. Bender and Mrs. Lapp will gather more information.

Mr. Tustanowsky's daughter Kyra and her friends are raising money for Relay for Life. Everyone in the group will be from Unami Middle School. They would like to sell water bottles in North Branch Park. All proceeds go to charity. They will be raising the money until the end of May. The Board agreed that this is a worthwhile cause and applauds Kyra for her involvement.

MOTION: Mr. Bender made a motion to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that they give Kyra Tustanowsky's group permission to sell water bottles for charity in North Branch Park until June 1, 2014. Mr. Maeyer seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

5. Public Comment: None.

6. Adjournment: MOTION: A motion was made by Mrs. Armitage, seconded by Mr. Ralston and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marco Tustanowsky, Chair

Jo Ann Lapp, Secretary