## PEQUEA TOWNSHIP PARK & RECREATION BOARD Minutes of – September 10, 2014

The members of Pequea Township Park and Recreation Board met on Wednesday, September 10, 2014 at 7:00 pm in the conference room of the Pequea Township Municipal Building, 1028 Millwood Road, Willow Street, PA 17584.

Members present: Lucy Gillichbauer, Janet Hess, Earl Houghton, and Tim Weaver

Others Present: None

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Mr. Weaver, at 7:00 pm

Public Comments: N/A

**Minutes Review:** Minutes of the August 13, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Mr. Houghton motioned to accept the minutes of the 13, 2014 minutes as written, Mr. Weaver seconded the motion; all voted in favor, none opposed.

Old Business: None

## **New Business:**

1. Discuss 2015 Budget: The Parks Board would like to request an itemized monthly budget statement to be provided to us at our monthly meetings. Currently we only see an end of the year summary, which is nice however we really need to be provided with the necessary information for transparency.

In addition, the Parks Board would like an inventory of all equipment, age of equipment, with date of purchase, and all repairs made to equipment with dates of repairs.

Questions regarding "Proposed Budget 2015 – prepared by Treasurer 9/9/2014" provided to Park Board.

- a. 454.10 Personal Services: Why is the salary line of the proposed budget suggested increased by \$1,000.00. This is a part-time position. There is less work since park employee no longer sprays. Less work for more money...why? This line is already generously compensated based on Lancaster area.
- b. 454.111 Pet Litter Bags: Pet litter bags suggested increased by \$200.00. Most other parks guests are responsible for bringing their own bags. Are people just taking these bags? Increasing bags in these economic times is just not logical.
- c. 454.221 Lanco Septic: Should be changed to Snyder Mylin. Suggested increase by \$900 to add portable restroom near barn. Why? The park already has several portable restrooms, which are more than adequate. Again fiscal responsibility in current economic times.
- d. 454.305 Bike-Walking Trail: Suggested increase by \$1000.00. What are the trail improvements that are being proposed? Why hasn't this come before the Parks Board?
- e. 454.3xx Flag Pole Memorial: Create and fund new line for Flag Pole Memorial.
- f. 454.361 P.P.L. Cost: Public Utilities suggested decrease by \$900.00 is feared to be low. Again error on the side of caution with current economic times.
- g. 454.374 Equipment Repairs Mower-Tractor: There is a comment that there is a plan to tradein old mower mid-2015. What old mower? Don't we already have 2 brand new mowers? Why is a 3<sup>rd</sup> mower being considered? Why hasn't this come before the board & this is the first time

- just reading about this on this prepared proposed budget prepared by the township treasurer? The Parks Board needs more review before determining funding of this line.
- h. 454.374 Equipment Purchase: Current agreement expires 05/15. Finance new mower less trade. The Parks Board needs more review before determining funding of this line.
- 2. Flag Pole Fundraising Update: \$1,345.00 has been raised to date.
- 3. Securing air shaft in Silver Mine: This has been tabled until Mr. Weaver gathers further information.
- 4. Mr. Mike Hollinger request to use the Silver Mine Park after dark for the purpose of night sky observation with high tech telescopes: Mr. Weaver motioned to recommend to the Board of Supervisors to approve the request for Mr. Mike Hollinger to use the soccer field after dark, notifying Southern Regional of the dates he would like access, make arrangements of locking of park. This should be granted on a year-to-year basis; Mrs. Hess seconded the recommendation, all voted in favor, none opposed.

**Board Comments:** Mr. Weaver proposed a new location for flagpole. Still in general area just modified slightly. The board will need to visit the site before making any recommended changes. According to Mr. Weaver a 200 amp box & Post at approx.. \$500 cost. Pole & wire to meter base provided by P.P.L at no cost to township. Mr. Weaver motioned to recommend to the Board of Supervisors to contact P.P.L. for installation of pole & metering equipment for the flagpole installation and future underground electric to pavilion; Mr. Houghton seconded the recommendation, all voted in favor, none opposed.

Public Comments: None

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Lucy Gillichbauer, Secretary Park & Recreation Board