

**Jackson Township Recreation Commission
Meeting Minutes**

Date: February 15, 2011

Called to order by: Denny Grove at 7:05 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Alfred George, Al Boring, Brett Hoffman, Denny Grove, Al Pagano, Marty Bezek, John Lythgoe, Tracey Heeney

Others in Attendance: Amanda - Nanty Glo Journal

Approval of January 18, 2011 meeting minutes. Motion by Brett Hoffman, second by Alfred George

Old Business:

John Lythgoe mentioned the start time for the upcoming fishing derby on Saturday, May 7, 2011. The start time is 9 am with registration between 7 am - 9 am. Parents will be asked not to fish. The event is for the kids only. John also pointed out that stocking of the ponds will be held on May 2nd. Recreation Committee members are welcomed to help.

Denny Grove asked committee members to help with the Easter Egg Hunt preparations on Saturday, April 16th starting between 8:30 and 9 am.

New Business:

Denny Grove read letter from the Dave Hirko, welcoming Tracey Heeney to the Recreation Committee.

An effort to take down the Christmas decorations at Veterans Park will be coordinated by Denny Grove. The electrical breakers will be shut down in the next few days. Dave Hirko asked if the decorations can be put away by the end of February.

New York City Bus trip is slated for April 9, 2011. Bus will leave Jackson Elementary at 5 am. On the return trip, the bus is scheduled to leave NYC at 9 pm with the estimated arrival time 3 am. Lodestar is the bus service. \$45 / per person.

John Lythgoe discussed the plan by Paulette Baker to build a dock that would be used as a fishing area for the youth at Hinkston Dam. Denny Grove mentioned this would be a good project for the local boys scout unit. Paulette has a committee in place to spearhead this effort that would be a combined effort by East Taylor, Middle Taylor, and Jackson Townships.

Denny Grove discussed the use of Mitchell Park during the winter months. A range of suggestions were mentioned from sled riding to ice hockey. Further discussion on setting a plan has been tabled.

Alfred George suggested looking into a Wiffle Ball Tournament to be held in the township. No decision was made at this time but further information would be needed. Proceeds from this tournament would go to a less fortunate family or an individual with a medical condition.

John Lythgoe led a discussion with the committee regarding potential stream improvement projects in some area streams. Permission would be needed by the State. Tabled for future meeting.

Park Updates:

Al Boring presented a rough draft of the township reservation form to be used for renting the pavilions at the local parks. A copy for each committee member was handed out to review and suggestions were asked for. Al will send to Dave Hirko and the supervisors for suggestions.

Denny Gove made a motion to allow light (canned) alcoholic beverages during pavilion usage at Mitchell & Leidy Lane Parks, not Veterans Park. This motion will be presented to the township supervisors only as a recommendation. Marty Bezek second the motion. All committee members in favor. Motion carried.

Township Events and Activities:

NYC Bus trip - April 9th - bus departing Jackson Elementary at 5 am - \$45/ per person.

Easter Egg hunt will be held on Saturday, April 16th at Noon - Mitchell Park (Rain date - April 23rd)

Fishing Derby to be held on Saturday, May 7th at 9 am.

Other Matters:

ETJ Baseball having its annual draft and tryout on February 19th.

Public Comments:

N/A

**Motion to adjourn by: Brett Hoffman - 2nd by Al Pagano
The Jackson Township Recreation Commission adjourned at 8:15 pm.**

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