

Jackson Township Recreation Commission

August 18, 2009 Minutes

Attendance: Eric Reitler, Karl Smith, Dennis Grove, Al George, Cory Erhart, Regina Barr

Excused: Tim Davis, John Lythgoe

Unexcused: Al Pagano

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes: Motion made by Cory Erhart and seconded by Dennis Grove to approve the July 2009 minutes. Minutes approved.

Correspondence:

Eric reviewed the updates from Dave Hirko, Township Manager. Mitchell Park is going to be up for re-bid to decrease the cost. The road crew is clearing and grubbing the ground which will be removed from the re-bid. The Township may also do the stormwater management work. In addition, a \$7000.00 fountain is being removed from the cost. Hoping for a re-bid around \$100,000. A person from American Forestry is going to put some select timber out for bid to increase funds available.

Mitchell Field:

1. ETJ is interested in getting field lighting at Mitchell Park. Dennis Grove reported on various ideas to decrease cost for lighting. There are multiple volunteers from REA and others who will provide labor free of charge. Presently, waiting for cost of materials.
2. JETSA is going to hook up the concession stand at Mitchell Park to the new sewage system.

Leidy Park:

Cheerleaders are using Leidy Field for camp/practice. AYSO Soccer and midget Football also will be using Leidy.

Activities:

1. Overnight bus trip to NYC was cancelled due to lack of sign-ups. The trip was promoted all year and mailings were sent out. (need 36 to fill one bus and only had 26 sign-ups) Question whether the overnight trip cost was a deterrent.
2. Trick or Treat night is set for October 29th from 6 to 8 pm. This is the same as East Taylor.
3. Details need worked out for Light Up Night Nov. 29 at Veteran's Park. John Lythgoe was given the list of groups who were caroling last year. Charlie Rametta is available to do photos with Santa this year. Still need to contact Walt George who will play Santa. Recreation Commission set up October's meeting to work on lights. Dave Hirko will do the mailings for the Festival of Trees participants. Bruce and the road crew will take care of setting up trees at Veterans park. Dave Hirko will also have flyers and posters distributed and purchase plaques to give out for awards.
4. Holiday Lighting Contest: Dave Hirko made flyers and will do the mailings. We need to ask Tim Davis if he can get judges again this year.

Others:

1. Josh Bednar stopped in the Township Building and inquired about an Eagle Scout Project. He discussed doing some landscaping on the back of the Concession Stand and he will make 2 picnic tables. Project has to be approved by the Scout Leadership.
2. Snowmobile club met with DCNR to possibly plan and build 30-40 miles of trails.

Adjournment: Karl Smith made a motion to adjourn meeting; seconded by Dennis Grove. Meeting adjourned at 745 pm.

Respectfully Submitted
Regina Barr, Secretary