



**WARRINGTON PARK AND RECREATION BOARD
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
MAY 22, 2008**

Present: Carol Rice, Chair; David Weaver, Vice-Chair; Ruth Levine-Schemm, Secretary and Robert McNulty. Staff present was Carolyn Hanel, CPRP, Director of Parks and Recreation

Mrs. Rice called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT - There were no public comments.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- January 24, 2008 – action on these Meeting Minutes was tabled until a quorum of those present for that meeting were in attendance.
- April 24, 2008 - action on these Meeting Minutes was tabled until a quorum of those present for that meeting were in attendance

3. NEW BUSINESS (ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS):

3.1 Park and Recreation Department Monthly Report – Mrs. Hanel reviewed the departmental report for May 2008 including the following items:

- **King Park Expansion** – Mrs. Hanel reported that this project came in significantly under what had been estimated (approximately \$300,000 lower). On motion by Mr. McNulty, seconded by Mr. Weaver, the Park and Rec Board unanimously (4-0) recommended that the Township consider adding the installation of the field lighting to the 2008 project scope. Mrs. Hanel indicated that she would ask the Township Solicitor if this could be done and if so take the matter to the Board of Supervisors on May 27. [Subsequent to the meeting, the Solicitor indicated that the lighting could not be added to the contract, but would have to be bid separately.]
- **Swim Club**– Mrs. Hanel indicated that the Parks Department was working very hard to have all preparation for the May 24 opening of the Swim Club.
- **Seasonal Staff** – Two seasonal parks maintenance staff were hired for the summer. Summer Camp staff interviews were completed May 19, and Swim Club staff orientation was held on May 12.
- **Recreation Programming** – Warrington Parks and Recreation will be sponsoring two sports camps this summer; soccer and basketball. Both camps are five days (one week) and the Township will receive \$10.00 per registrant from the program providers.
- **Marketing Twin Oaks** – Mrs. Hanel noted that the use of Twin Oaks for private parties will be promoted over the summer. The PRB agreed with the idea, but noted that amplified music (live or recorded) should be controlled because of the proximity of residential neighborhoods.

4. OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- 4.1 Supervisor Michael Lamond reported on information he received at the recent PSATS Conference on several grant programs pertaining to parks and recreation. He specifically noted that we might be able to obtain funding to link the Special Equestrian site to the Bradford Trail.
- 4.2 Mrs. Schemm commented that the new bollards and chains at the entrance to Lower Nike Park looked great. She complimented the Parks Department for their efforts. The other members of the Park and Rec Board concurred and asked Mrs. Hanel to pass on their appreciation. The PRB also suggested that a "Watch Children Park Entrance" sign be posted on either side of Bradley Road near the entrances to Lower and Upper Nike Parks.
- 4.3 Mrs. Schemm suggested inviting Mr. Ron French to a Park and Rec Board meeting to discuss the variety of birds (over 100 according to Mr. French) at Lower Nike Park and the Bradford Dam area, and perhaps feature this information in then Township Newsletter and on interpretive signage for the trail along the Bradford Dam. It was also suggested that Mr. French study the Philadelphia Avenue property.

5. **ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Hanel, CPRP