

UPPER MAKEFIELD TOWNSHIP
PARK AND RECREATION BOARD
Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2010

Present: Chair Jim Pearsall, Vice Chair Randy Reardon, Member Donna DeSimone, Member Tom Kovalcik, Member Eileen Sichel and Member Dawn Wyatt. Member Tom Kovacevich was absent. Also in attendance was Supervisor Liaison Tom Cino.

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 pm.

Public Comment

There was no public comment

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr.Reardon and was seconded by Ms.Wyatt to approve the minutes of October 11, 2010. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Field Use Fees Discussion

In response to the 2011 budget deliberations and the current economic climate, the board discussed ways to offset township park and recreation expenses, including increased and alternative field use fees and fundraising options. They will consult with the leagues and develop a recommendation for the Board of Supervisors consideration prior to 2012 budget discussions.

Brownsburg Park Field Maintenance Discussion

Following 2011 budget deliberations, staff was charged with reviewing all expenses and additional costs. As part of that process, the board was asked to review their Brownsburg Park field maintenance recommendation from October 2010. This included adding to the township landscape bid increased seeding and triple aeration in spring 2011 and closing Fields 1-5 until summer evaluation. The Board recognized the current budget situation, but asked that their recommendation be forwarded to the supervisors. This approach proved beneficial to the two fields that were treated last year, and they feel it is the most cost-effective way to maintain that progress and improve the condition of the other fields. They are committed to developing fundraising initiatives to help offset township park expenses.

Other Business

Mr. Pearsall thanked the Board and staff for their work and dedication over the last year and highlighted 2010 accomplishments, including the implementation of field use fees; development of a tree donation program and park sign/banner resolution; installation of the fundraising brick walkway and a water line at Brownsburg Park; the Public/Private Partnership of the Lookout Park Improvement Project; locating AEDs at township parks; contribution to the Newtown Township Skate Park; participation in Earth Day 2010 and added signage at both parks.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Reardon and was seconded by Mr. Kovalcik to adjourn at 8:37 pm. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Caporiccio

Approved: January 10, 2011