

Palmer Township Recreation Board
May 17, 2011

The regular meeting of the Palmer Township Recreation Board was held on Tuesday, May 17, 2011. Chairman Jeff Young, Secretary Cheryl Nielsen, Treasurer Bob Johnson, Marc Knox, and Bill Webb arrived later. Young called the meeting to order at 7:45.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL—On a motion by Nielsen, seconded by Johnson and agreed by three, the minutes were approved as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT—Report will be given next month.

PUBLIC COMMENT—Rich Canning, Park Avenue, attended to make us aware of the condition of the port-a-potty at Briarcliff. His son's game was on a Monday and the port-a-potty was full, dirty, and no paper. He informed us so the situation could be corrected. Neither he nor the other coaches realized that the bathrooms to the pool should be open at this time of the year. We discussed the possibility of adding a handicapped port-a-potty for next year.

When a lot of games are scheduled, cleaning could be done twice a week. Johnson will send a notice to the coaches to remind them to open the bathrooms at the pool.

Baseball- Games have started.

Basketball—Webb had a meeting at Community Center for practice slots for next season. The same amount will be available with the option to have the screens put down for a full court practice—that would double the time slots.

Egg Hunt--Went very well. Another very large crowd attended. Purchasing filled eggs were very expensive. Might be over budget.

Maintenance—Plans are to build a new 2 level press box. On the opposite side of the field. Formal plans should be submitted to the Township.

Mill Race was it reseeded? Fox Run was it reseeded?

Lights are installed at Fairview. Review the Lights Policy—send comments to Tom Adams. Two suggestions ---Sunday night till 10:00 and possibly a few for fall softball to use the lights.

Softball—All levels are started except JR A and Srs, they will both mainly use Fairview. Most games will be played at Fairview and use Labarre for practice and a few games.

One Palmer team forfeited to the other Palmer team. Young will go to the league meeting and try to get the decision changed.

Playground—Starts June 27 and continues till the picnic on August 5th. The leaders have been hired.

Soccer—Sign-ups are in progress. Several children who were not township residents played last year. That is being corrected. Each commissioner should check their sign-ups to make sure the participants live in the township.

Lacrosse—Tremendous Season—all teams have a winning record. Fox Run needs to be rolled because of low spots and there are water issues.

New Business—Todd Doerner proposed that a field hockey program be started for the township. Presently our girls go to Forks. It would be two teams 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade Team and a 5th and 6th grade team. They use small fields and could use the baseball fields. Cost approx. \$3000. On a motion by Knox, and seconded by Webb, agreed by all, to recommend to the Supervisors that a field hockey program be started in Palmer Township for the fall of 2011. IF the Rec Board funds are not available to fund the cost, then we will go to PTAA for assistance.

Old Business—Baseball Tournament teams will be selected at the end of the season.

An oversight from last month-----On a motion by Webb, seconded by Knox, agreed by all, the Men's Softball League at LaBarre will not be charged a fee.

On a motion by Webb, seconded by Johnson, and agreed by all, meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Cheryl Nielsen, Secretary