

## **PALMER TOWNSHIP RECREATION BOARD**

**July 15, 2014 7:30 PM**

The regular monthly meeting of the Palmer Township Recreation Board was held on Tuesday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. with the following in attendance: Vice Chairperson Cheryl Neilsen, Members Rick Bulette, Thom Lee, Mike Weaver, and Liam Brohan. Also present was Parks & Recreation Director Dan McKinney.

Nielsen called the meeting to order at 7:34pm.

Lee makes a motion to approve June minutes, Brohan seconds motion. Nielsen carries motion.

PTAA – Off Season sports, BOS meeting July 29th – McKinney suggests that someone from the Rec Board should be present, will ask Bill, if he can't Nielsen will go. Lee requests that monthly AA minutes are sent to the Rec Board.

Lee makes a motion, Bulette seconds motion that we ask PTAA to send their monthly reports, Treasurer and Regular minutes to McKinney at the Community Center to be distributed to the Rec Board. Motion carried.

Dog Park – Brohan, McKinney, went with Adams (Director of Public Services) and took a drive, Riverview is the best choice. Would like to make a motion to suggest this area for future dog park. Weaver – shooting range? McKinney, spoke to chief Palmer, there is activity daily there. Bulette, our parks aren't central. Proposing area aside of picnic area for dog park. Hedgerow in between and can't see into the gun range itself. 2-3 acres. Water is available, within 50 feet. McKinney suggests that everyone go look at the area before proposal. Nielsen, busy in evening could be good to have more eyes there. Nielsen – All of Rec Board, Meeting August 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at Riverview to review and discuss area for Dog Park.

Ordinance & Signage Update – Lee comment, sent Webb questionnaire on his vision, proposed location, specificity, which fields, his ideas, dimensions, vinyl/metal, who administrates, what is the actual ordinance change. Lee drove to fields and measured, Webb recommended 1,2,3, & 5. Measured the # of panels, field 1, 31 panels 45 inches X 100, field 2, 40 panels 45 X 130 inches. Field 3, 33 panels lower sections, 12 higher section, and field 5, 34

panels. Multi purpose field, by stands, 38 panels along bleachers, and 22 along walkway. Total of 210 panels for the whole field. And the Sign Says, local vendor, went to talk to about signs; he suggested (did ML) standard panel of 3 feet x 8 feet. Limit colors to 3, with logo. Vinyl material, solid vinyl least expensive or mesh vinyl. Regular eye loops for attachments. Life expectancy of signs, estimate of 3 years if left out. Average cost, \$70-\$80 a sign, included design and layout. Brohan – Will we charge Advertisers pay us cost plus? Replacement costs, \$45-\$50. Lee indirectly to Webb – can do upfront presentation and costs, but board will want to see “what and where is the money going”. Generating a ¼ million for lighting.

McKinney – comments that it was discussed that the AA was going to be a part of this and take a role in selling, the money would go to the 2-2-2 fund. There is nothing identified by the 2-2-2 on what they want to do with that money. 20% of AA registrations were being put into a fund for Rec capitol fund, 2-2-2 includes Rec board, AA, BOS (2 people from each). Bulette – last 2-2-2 meeting, money would go to future development, repairing football dressing room, lighting, improvements. Nielsen – Fairview could be interested in signage as well.

McKinney – BOS looking for concrete information to go forth. Brohan – make them ask us. Nielsen – Requests a write up from Lee for the whole Rec Board on the signage information. Nielsen – Field 1 needs maintenance, has always had a drainage problem.

Development/Maintenance – None.

CCCC improvements – proposed budget – McKinney, Rebound Ace cushioned Tennis Court, went to look at in Lancaster. Chrisman (Township Manager) and Adams (Township Engineer) were present. Grant has to be matched by Township. Lee – what was the objection, McKinney was hoping for something more. Not a futsal surface. Nielsen – multipurpose tennis courts. McKinney - No one in Palmer using tennis courts, issue with this project it has been delayed for so long. Time is short, Northampton County waiting. Has to be at CCCC. Bulette – Is it good for other sports, like basketball. Part of project is the walking path around palmer complex. The ML surface is a good material. Lee – Futsal advocate. \$40,000 for asphalt, to do Rebound Ace. Brohan – can it go to soccer fields. McKinney – has to go to CCCC courts first, then onto 2<sup>nd</sup> project. Lee – do it all right first, up to them on spending money. Nielsen – continuing to look at surfaces?

McKinney the AA would use something for soccer, lacrosse, field hockey, baseball practice. Nielsen – will continue on.

AA Report – Vincent not present.

2-2-2 Account – Nielsen – last month received Rec development fund, McKinney somewhat misleading to believe all of that money is available. Rec board has never made a formal recommendation on how to spend the money. Vincent main focus that money not being spent on anything else other than recreation.

McKinney – 2 multi purpose fields, and a baseball field in original plan/proposal to build. Multi discussed but never anything further about actually building the fields. No Concrete plans. Lee – lets focus on the tangible fields, if the Rec board doesn't make formal recommendations now we aren't justifying ourselves and being credible, 1<sup>st</sup> dog park, 2<sup>nd</sup> allocating funds to the multipurpose fields. McKinney – working towards repairing walkways currently, moving hill back for path at Palmer complex.

Will make a formal recommendation after everyone goes to look at potential dog park.

Directors Report – McKinney – Express times article. Camp Palmer half way through. Palmer Pool always in a state of repair, fair registrations not as many as last year.

New business – none at this time.

Old Business – Nielsen, why are Job Johnny's still out? McKinney, still one here for Lacrosse at CCCC. No one at old orchard, but one still there.

Nielsen motion to adjourn, Brohan second. Nielsen approved meeting adjourned 8:59 p.m.

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