

## **Meeting Notes for Doylestown Park & Recreation Board February 10, 2015**

### **Attendance :**

John Bray	Robert Salanik	Karen Sweeney
Blythe Kelly	Paul DiNella	
Jan Suessenguth	Emily Rehmet, Youth Member	

**Guests:** Richard John, Butch Froehlich, Stephanie Mason, Loretta Jenkins, John Hoderny, Carl Zentmayer, Steve Folz

**Meeting Notes:** There were no Meeting Notes to review from the last meeting.

**Doylestown Athletic Association submitted a letter to the Township regarding the Baseball Fields.**

### **Questions and Summarized Responses**

- **Are there any improvements to be done to the fields for the 2015 baseball season?**  
Turf edges to be worked on, some grading and turf re-set in the infield with additional soil as needed. Outfield checked and topsoil and re-seeding as needed.
- **DAA Improvements** - if we want to make improvements – do we need permission?  
A “plan of action” needs to be filed with the township to be reviewed. It needs to be submitted to Director of Park and Recreation with a copy to Director of Operations, laying out what you plan to do to the fields.
- **Can DAA hire a sub-contractor to do field enhancement work?**  
If approved in your “plan of action” they will need to provide certificates of insurance naming the township as an additional insured and if there are volunteers used, a waiver needs to be signed and submitted.
- **What is the Township Mowing Schedule –**  
28 mowing’s on a weekly basis, weather permitting. Beginning mid-April and ends late October.
- **Can the DAA supplement the mowing schedule?**  
Yes if the maintenance is approved by the Township in your “plan of action”
- **Can we Construct a temporary fence on Field # 5 and or #6 in Turk Park # 2 (temporary or for the season)?**  
Even though the field is multi- use as long as the “temporary” fence stays within its bounds and doesn’t infringe on the other fields – Following discussion, it was agreed to try the temporary fence this year (2015) on a trial basis..

- **DAA presented pictures of a Shade Structure to be put over the benches for the kids as they wait (dugout) to play.**

It was explained that there can be no permanent structure constructed on that land due to the fact it is leased from the County and the Township does not “own” the fields. However it was discussed that some kind of *temporary* shade could be arranged over the dugout - once approved by the township. But plans would need to be presented for approval.

### **Election of Officers**

John Bray was re-confirmed as Chairman of the Board  
Jan Suessenguth was confirmed as Vice Chairman of the Board  
Blythe Kelly was confirmed as Secretary of the Board

**Updates Amphitheater** – The Supervisor’s Meeting to be held on the 17<sup>th</sup> of February is crucial to the timing of the ordering of the structure for the upcoming summer season, Park and Recreation support of the project is encouraged at that meeting. A vote to move forward will be taken at that meeting.

**Sensory Trail** – Stephanie Mason, mentioned of an extension that was filed for the Grant Money for another year.

**Kids Castle** – Stephanie Mason and Karen Sweeney mentioned a Grant in the works for surfacing of the area around the castle.

Further Updates were tabled due to the length of the meeting and will be discussed at the next meeting on March 10<sup>th</sup>.

### **Site Visit Schedule 2015 for Sauerman Park and Bridgepoint Park**

To be discussed at the next meeting.

### **Other Business**

#### **Sounds of Summer Performing Arts Series**

Karen Sweeney stated that the township is scheduling 8 concerts for the Concert Series due to it being the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Concert Series and also to kick off the Amphitheater space. Additional Fund Raising is needed and requested to ensure all 8 events.

### **2015 Goals**

To be discussed at the next meeting.

**Meeting Adjournment 7:10 PM**

1<sup>st</sup> Jan Suessenguth

2<sup>nd</sup> Blythe Kelly

*Respectfully submitted by  
Jan Suessenguth, Secretary*