

Charter Township of Redford

Parks Commission Meeting February 25, 2008- Amended 3/10/08

The regular meeting of the Charter Township of Redford Park Commission was held on February 25, 2008 in the Redford Community Center in Meeting Room C. The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Chair, Maureen Okasinski
Vice Chair, Diana Brang-Schroeder
Secretary, John Keenan
Treasurer, Laura Weaver
Commissioner, Kevin Dodd
Youth Commissioner Suzanne Vulaj

Absent: Commissioner Steve Offman, Commissioner Saira Comerford,

Also present: Theresa Burgess, Debbie Break, Tom O'Connor, Melissa Rouse, Katie North, Matthew Kibner, Aurea Mack, Ariel Houey, Ashley Miracle, and Amanda Miluz

08-033 Approval of Agenda: Motion by WEAVER, supported by BRANG-SCHROEDER, to approve the Agenda. All ayes. Motion carried: 5-0 Absent 2

Approval of Minutes: There was a discussion regarding the style and accuracy of the minutes presented from February 11, 2008. Commissioner Keenan requested the minutes be tabled until the next regularly scheduled meeting. Commissioner Okasinski will review Roberts Rules.

08-034 Motion by Keenan, supported by WEAVER to table the minutes until the next meeting. 4 ayes; 0 nays; 2 absent; 1 abstain.

Citizen Comments:

None

New Business:

None

Old Business:

➤ **Parks Survey**

Commissioner Okasinski added one new classification which states, "Please rate your satisfaction with Recreation Classes." This question will be number 6 on the survey.

08-035 Motion by WEAVER, supported by DODD, to approve the parks survey as amended. All ayes. Motion carried: 5 – 0 Absent - 2

➤ **Shelter Policy**

Commissioner Okasinski pointed out that inflatables covered by insurance had been left out. She wants it added and to be placed between canopies and grills. Also, canopies had been spelled wrong.

08-036 Motion by WEAVER, supported by DODD, to approve the shelter policy as amended. All ayes. Motion carried; 5 – 0 Absent – 2

Department Report:

- Theresa Burgess – August will be the deadline for the Fall/Winter brochure adds. So if any of the vendors from Doggie Rama want to advertise in the brochure they must do so by then. In the future the department will be seeking the advertisers for the brochure. The Spring/Summer brochure did not have as many ads as in the past, but there is enough money in the budget to cover the cost of printing. The current brochure is at the printers and is scheduled to be ready on Friday, February 29, 2008. Mr. Gray will pick them up from the printer. The Spring list of classes is now being added to our website. Other classes to be added as they become available.
- Tom O’Connor – Had nothing to report at this time. Commissioner Okasinski asked him who will be the point person in Parks & Recreation while the Director is off. Mr. O’Connor stated he will be the point person until Mr. Curle returns.

Commissioners’ Report

- Commissioner Brang-Schroeder is working on the beginning stages of Doggie Rama. The table rental fee will increase this year from \$20 to \$25. She wants to offer sponsorship to the vendors for the Fall/Winter brochure. Her thoughts and prayers are with Mr. Curle. Her daughter really liked the Daddy/Daughter dance. She would also like each of the Commissioners to think of 3 places to advertise to help get the word out about Doggie Rama.
Commissioner Brang-Schroeder would like to be involved with the Concerts in the Park this year and wanted to know from Commissioner Weaver when the deadline is for picking the bands. Commissioner Weaver told her she didn’t know at this time.
- Commissioner Keenan said all the goals for the dugouts have been met except for the concrete, which is still being worked on. Bill Sullivan is handling the publicity. The observer would like to do a story with pictures about the dugouts. Mr. O’Connor said he could do a press release if Commissioner Keenan would like.
- Commissioner Weaver was sorry she was unable to attend the second Daddy/Daughter dance due to the weather. A decision needed to be made regarding the type of corners the new magnets should have and she decided they should be rounded instead of square. She thanked Ms. Break for the gift certificates to be raffled off at the SRFEE for Jane Addams School.
- Commissioner Dodd said it was a pleasure being here. He wanted to thank all the young people who attended this evenings meeting for their government class. Quote: “The two hardest things to handle in life are success and failure.”
- Youth Commissioner Vulaj discusses the Youth Commission’s involvement in TAG (Teens Against Graffiti). The group will be sponsoring a car wash, bake sale and will volunteer in a nursing home.

- Commissioner Okasinski had nothing to add. She is glad to see Youth Commissioner Vulaj back.

Park Bills

08-037 Motion by BRANG-SCHROEDER, supported by DODD to pass Park bills for, 75100 Recreation, 75200 Maintenance. All ayes. Motion carried: 5-0 Absent: 2

Communication:

None

08-038 Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. by WEAVER, supported by BRANG-SCHROEDER. All ayes. Motion carried: 5-0 Absent: 2

Respectfully submitted by Mr. John Keenan, Corresponding Secretary

Recording Secretary: Debbie Break