

# Charter Township of Redford

## Parks Commission Meeting July 28, 2008

The regular meeting of the Charter Township of Redford Park Commission was called to order July 28, 2008 by the Vice Chair at 7:10 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Present: Vice Chair, Diana Brang-Schroeder  
Treasurer, Laura Weaver  
Commissioner Steve Offman

Absent: Commissioner Okasinski, Commissioner Keenan, Commissioner Kevin Dodd,  
Commissioner Saira Comerford

Also present: Tom O'Connor, Debbie Break, Mike Curle, and Gary Cockfield

**08-081 Approval of Agenda:** Motion was made by OFFMAN, supported by WEAVER, to approve the Agenda as amended by adding Western Graham Field to old business. All ayes. Motion carried: 3-0 Absent 4

**08-082 Approval of Minutes from June 2, 2008 Special Meeting:** Motion by OFFMAN supported by WEAVER to approve the minutes. All ayes. Motion carried: 3-0 Absent 4

**08-083 Approval of Amended Minutes from June 23, 2008:** Motion by OFFMAN supported by WEAVER to approve the minutes as amended by fixing the typo at the bottom of page 2 from sane to same. All ayes. Motion carried: 3-0 Absent 4

**Citizen Comments:**  
None

**New Business:**  
None

**Old Business:**

➤ **Ball Diamond Policy:**

**08-084 Motion** by OFFMAN supported by WEAVER to approve the Ball Diamond Usage policy. All ayes. Motion carried: 3-0 Absent 4

- **Award Ceremony, August 19, 2008:** Mike Curle said the award sub-committee met last week. The candidates approved for an award were Stacy Hunter who has been a long time umpire for the softball girls program, and Jim Milcan and Jim Karker who were instrumental in getting the grant and crew for the baseball dugouts. The ceremony will take place at 6:15 p.m. in meeting room C in the Redford Twp. Community Center. Before the concert starts at 7:30 the awards will be given out. Donations for snacks and refreshments will be sought out – cookie lady, etc.

- **Western Graham Field:** Commissioner Offman asked Mr. O'Connor and Mr. Curle if they have found out yet who cut back the diamond at Western Graham Field this past

spring. He was informed by both no one has been identified yet. Commissioner Offman finds this unacceptable.

- **08-085 Motion** by OFFMAN supported by WEAVER to no longer issue field permits to Saint Valentines until the Commissioners find out who cut back the diamond at Western Graham Field. All ayes. Motion carried: 3-0 Absent 4

### Department Report:

- **Tom O'Connor:** The grand opening of the “Marquee” begins Friday, August 1 and runs thru Sunday, August 3, 2008. He said it would be nice to see as many of the park commissioners as possible at the event.
- **Mike Curle:** The Knights for Humanity charity softball game was rescheduled to August 2, 2008.
  - WAG needs to update him as to what they are planning. If the event seems to be getting to big they may need to go before the Site Committee.
  - The movie in Claude Allison Park on August 16, 2008 will be the “Water Horse”.
  - Due to rain outs there will be a make-up movie in Capitol Park on September 6.
  - Concert in the park is going well with good turnouts.
  - Parks work-crews are trying hard to catch up since there has been no rain lately.
  - Many residents have been requesting picnic permits.
  - Girls Softball has ended and the end of season picnic was good.
  - Spring adult softball season is now into the playoffs and registration for fall adult softball is under way.
  - Scott Gray started opening the Capitol Concession stand last week during the day. The Concession will be open Monday through Friday from 12:00 to 2:00. There are signs posted at the splash pad informing people of the new change.
  - Next week begins the Men’s Baseball league at Capitol 1 Diamond.
  - The little league is winding up its season.
  - Arrangements are underway to finish fencing the skateboard park.
  - The Summer Program is going great and the field trips are selling out.
  - The Sports Development Program run by Scott Gray is going good.
  - In August there will be a Wet & Wild week long camp for youth.
  - Mike, Theresa and Scott had a meeting to work on finalizing the Fall/Winter brochure. The deadline is August 15. Commissioner Brang-Schroeder reminded Mike of the three Doggie Rama Sponsors (Pet Smart, Dunkin Dogs and Faithful Memorials) whose ads are to appear in the brochure.
- **Debbie Break:** Presented the excel chart she created for Mr. Gray to track the progress of the Concession stands during the season. Commissioner Offman likes the way the information is presented in the chart.

### Commissioners’ Report:

- **Commissioner Offman:** Nothing
- **Commissioner Weaver:** The concerts in the park are going well. She was very disappointed that Mr. Gray didn’t have the Concession stand better stocked for the Sherman Arnold concert. This is one of the most attended concerts of the season. In the future she would like Mr. Gray to take an inventory of stock on Mondays to make sure there is plenty of food and beverages on hand for the concerts on Tuesday evenings.

➤ **Commissioner Brang-Schroeder:** Nothing

**Park Bills**

**08-085** Motion was made by OFFMAN supported by WEAVER to approve the Park's bills as amended for 75100 Recreation, 75500 Concession and 75200 Maintenance. All ayes. Motion carried: 3-0 Absent 4

**Communication:**

None

**08-086 Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. by OFFMAN, supported by WEAVER. All ayes. Motion carried: 3-0 Absent 4

Respectfully submitted by Diana Brang-Schroeder, Vice Chairman

Recording Secretary: Debbie Break