

HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP PARK & RECREATION BOARD - FEBRUARY 9, 2006 - 7:30PM
REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

Members present: Jon Apple, Chairman Andy Leszczynski
Dan Kell, Vice Chairman Nick Lupinacci
Rick Lambrecht, Treasurer Shirley Myers
Jane James, Secretary

Others present : Ken Bennington, Township Manager
Lawrence Owen and Norman Porter, The Historical
Society of Hilltown Township
Andy Dinsmore, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

MINUTES: The minutes of January 12, 2006 were approved as written with the following corrections: The name of the log house at the Civic Park is the Thomas Musselman Log Barn not the Hartzel Strassburger Home; also, members of the Historical Society are open to relocation options other than the township building.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mr. Lambrecht presented the P&R portion of the township budget as of January 6, 2006, designating \$262,950.00 less expenditures of \$10,024.00, to be approved subject to audit.

CONFIRMED APPOINTMENTS: Messrs. Owen and Porter returned to P&R to further discuss The Thomas Musselman Log Barn. It would be more cost effective to leave it in its present location at the Civic Park although vandalism concerns were discussed after it's refurbished. The present chain link fence is not attractive but a necessary deterrent at this time. Volunteers with expertise in this field of renovation would be desirable along with volunteers to rebuild and maintain the project. The Historical Society will get back to P&R with further input as soon as possible.

OLD BUSINESS:

FOREST ROAD PARK: Mr. Kell said Mr. Manfredi would contact John Haines, Haines & Kibblehouse about the park. Other contacts at H&K are Troy Shelly and Doug McManus. Mr. Bennington said he will let P&R know the status of beginning this project after the next Supervisor's meeting.

NANCY GUILLESPIE THEATER CAMP: Mrs. Myers has looked into various avenues to get the theater camp off the ground in 2006. She has spoken with Katy Lintner who would be willing to assist her in this project. Mrs. Myers spoke with Mickey Gorman, V.P. of Marketing and Development at P.S. Buck International. An insurance rider is necessary; also parents would have to sign a waiver for their child's participation. Mr. Lupinacci said an Abuse Clearance should be obtained from anyone assisting with the theater camp and Mrs. Myers offered to get the appropriate forms. A cost of \$65.00 per child was suggested. There should be a ratio of one adult per ten children. The 9:00 AM to noon session would be for grades one through five; the 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM session would be for grades six through eight. Mrs. Myers will

OLD BUSINESS/NANCY GUILLESPIE THEATER CAMP (continued):

distribute fliers to various schools. The theater camp will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. Mrs. Myers asked if parents could bring checks to the township building for payment and Mr. Bennington said that would be fine. A date and finalization will be announced.

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Andy Dinsmore came to P&R hoping to generate interest in various environmental projects (see attached Possible Earth Day/Arbor Day Projects drawn up by Mr. Dinsmore.) Discussion followed and it was enthusiastically decided that a Home Composting Workshop be held during the Halloween Fest in October, 2006. Other discussion included plantings (tree saplings and seedlings) at various township owned open space areas such as Hilltown Woods, etc. Nick Lupinacci will act as a liaison with Mr. Dinsmore.

Mr. Apple decided to table Chain Saw Man, Mr. John Snyder, until the 2007 Halloween Fest because of logistics. Mrs. Myers said she would into stuffed animal worker, Judy Thompson, as a possible venue for the fest.

MANAGER'S REPORT: Mr. Bennington said Open Space would like a liaison with P&R. Bob Wynn, Township Engineer, will have sketch plans and diagrams available to P&R prior to developers coming in with their pitch.

ADJOURNED: 9:30ish PM
Transcribed and recorded by Jane James, Secretary
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