

**Lower Pottsgrove Township Parks and Recreation Board Meeting
Monday January 23, 2017**

The regularly scheduled Parks and Recreation meeting was held Monday January 23, 2017 and was called to order at 7:02 PM. The following were in attendance:

Rich Wood, Chairperson
Patty Bleakley
Bill Keohane
Tom Troutman

Katie Smith

A motion was made by Mrs. Bleakley to approve the November Minutes and was then seconded by Mr. Troutman which was carried out with a 4-0 vote of approval.

Reorganization: Mr. Troutman made a motion for Mr. Wood to be president of the Park and Recreation Board which was then seconded by Mrs. Bleakley. Tom made a motion for Mr. Cimino for Vice Chair which was seconded by Mr. Keohane and was carried out with a 4-0 vote of approval.

OLD BUSINESS:

Approval of 2017 Meeting Dates: Mrs. Bleakley made a motion to approve all of the 2017 Meeting dates but to also add the meeting date August 28, 2017 which was then seconded by Mr. Keohane which was carried out with a 4-0 vote of approval.

A motion was made by Mr. Troutman to cancel the meeting February 27, 2017 which was then seconded by Mrs. Bleakley which was carried out with a 4-0 vote of approval.

Pottstown Health and Wellness Grant: Mr. Wood explained to the board that the Grant is for 25,000 which is to be used for engineering of paving the parking lot, the two ADA parking spots, the walking trail and also the rain gardens which will be all constructed at Gerald Richards Park. The township knew that they were going to need an extension to having to have the proposal completed by April 2017, which is due to since the township will be disturbing more than an acre we have to go for an NPDES Permit which can take 36 – 6 months to get. The grant has been extended until October 2018.

NEW BUSINESS:

Gerald Richards Proposal:

The board discussed the engineering proposal from Busich on Gerald Richards Park, after much discussion Mrs. Bleakley made a motion to approve the draft with no changes recommended from the board, which was then seconded by Mr. Troutman and was carried out by a 4-0 vote of approval.

2017 P&R Event Dates

A motion was made by Mrs. Bleakley to approve the 2017 P&R events which was then seconded by Mr. Troutman and carried out with a 4-0 vote of approval.

Comments by Board Members

There were no comments from the Board Members.

Comments by Visitors

Mr. Wood asked the visitors to introduce themselves. Jack introduced himself and stated that he is from troop 367 and is currently working on getting a badge and had to attend a public meeting. Another visitor stepped up and stated that he was from troop 291 from Sassamansville, PA.

A motion was made by Mr. Troutman to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 PM. The motion was then seconded by Mrs. Bleakley and was carried out by a 4-0 vote of approval.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Monday April 24, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie H. Smith