



# Recreation Advisory Council

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 2, 2010

**In Attendance:** Theresa Eberly, Jim Smith, Nate Spade, Scott Pepperman, Dick Norrie, Jason Sanserverino  
**Absent:** Karen Harlacher, Rhoda Ioerger, Dave Stine, Ed Rigg  
**Staff:** Kristy Owens, Jeff Williams  
**Other:** None

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

### Approval of Minutes

The minutes from January 5, 2010 were approved on a motion from Jason, seconded by Theresa. The minutes from the February 2, 2010 meeting were approved on a motion by Jim, seconded by Dick.

### Public Comment

None

### Liaison

Nate Spade provided the Liaison report. The financial analysis of the possible purchase or development of a new Township building will be completed by March 9. PFM was awarded the contract for the analysis. The Township is looking at three options for a new building. The Superintendent of Police position will be advertised soon. It is an administrative position. A modular unit is being considered to facilitate evidence storage since the current capacity is full.

### Director/Assistant Director Report

#### *OLD BUSINESS*

- Phase III of Stony Ridge was approved to go to bid by the Board
- Friends of Willow Mill – Jeff stated that he thought the meeting with the Board went fairly well. Most of RAC's questions were addressed but other questions remain. He announced that the Friends paid off their loan from the Township. Jeff suggested that RAC move forward and meet with Jan LeBlanc and Karen Best as suggested by the Board. Nate stated he would like to see that at the April RAC meeting. Jeff suggested that RAC prepare some preliminary questions for Karen and Jan so they know ahead of time what the issues still are. Some additional discussion was held on the Mill project.
- Donation of land next to Hidden Creek was discussed at the last meeting.
- PWMP filed #3 backstop should be done next week. April 14<sup>th</sup> is Opening Day for SSYBA.
- Scott and Jeff are co-chairing the Logistics Committee for the Junkin House marker dedication. Parks will assist with in-kind service and equipment (i.e. pop-up tent, stage)
- Mower and Skid Loader update – Kubota mower is in, skid loader is not.

- January Monthly Report was sent electronically to RAC

#### *NEW BUSINESS*

- Parks tours – RAC will set a date at the April meeting
- Kristy provided an update. It was suggested that the scouts or a sponsor do some type of craft at the event.
- Youth sports associations – tournaments have been scheduled and all groups will pay the required rental fee. Staff will meet with CVMFA next week per their request to discuss general items. Staff will be monitoring all fields as usual and rotating use to prevent excessive wear and tear.
- Snow issue – some concern was raised about not plowing parks entrances and lots. On a low priority basis, SRP, PVP, and WMP will be plowed to allow access for activities such as sledding. But only after the main roads, developments, and Township offices are cleared.
- Parks staff attended the KAFMO field turf conference in Grantville. 3 full time employees attended and we won 20 bags of a field drier treatment. This was offered to SSYBA.
- Dog Park policy – Staff gave several options for RAC to consider. There have been very few complaints. On a motion by Scott and seconded by Dick, RAC voted to recommend to the Board that the program be continued at SRP and WMP. It was suggested that signage be enhanced now that access for dogs will continue past the one year trial period. RAC wants the policy revisited and evaluated on a yearly basis.
- Staff asked for input on new grant based projects and suggested three. RAC voted to support the applications for grants from DCNR for a wind turbine at SRP, a master plan for Potteiger Park, and a master trails plan for the Township. On a motion from Jason and seconded by Jim, RAC voted to support those three projects. Dick inquired about who manufactured the wind turbine at SS Golf Course and what the maintenance record was.

#### **Other Business**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm on a motion by Theresa, seconded by Jason.

**NEXT RAC MEETING: Tuesday, April 6, 2010 – 6:00 pm**

*Respectfully submitted by Kristy Owens and Jeff Williams*