SALISBURY TOWNSHIP RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 16, 2012

A regularly scheduled meeting was held on the above date at the Salisbury Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Avenue, Allentown, PA 18103. The meeting was brought to order at 7:38 P.M. Committee members in attendance: Frank Adamcik, Walter Aungst, Antonella DiMatteo, Frank McCullough and Mark Wilson. Staff member in attendance: Genny Baillie, Township Recreation Director.

Reorganization:

Mr. Adamcik opened the meeting asking for a motion regarding the re-election of incumbent officers. Mr. McCullough made the motion to re-elect the current slate of officers, Ms. DiMatteo seconded the motion, and was passed anonymously. Mr. Adamcik will remain as Chairman, Mr. Aungst as Vice-Chairman, and Dr. Wilson as Secretary.

Approval of November 2011 Minutes:

On motion by Mr. McCullough, and seconded by Mr. Aungst, the Recreation Committee approved the November 21, 2011, meeting minutes as submitted.

Advisor Reports & Updates

<u>Frank Adamcik</u>: No new items to report. Walter Aungst: No new items report.

Antonella DiMatteo: Ms. DiMatteo looked into organizing a township health fair geared toward senior citizens; after some additional consideration, she felt that maybe it would even better to have a broader-scope Community Health Day and hold it, for example, inside the high school sometime during the summer. Ms. DiMatteo will organize a small team to begin planning the event and will have an update at the March meeting. Ms. DiMatteo also raised the possibility of having a township-run Easter egg hunt; however, because of the short time interval available for planning one this year, it was decided to focus on planning one for next year. Ms. DiMatteo also asked whether the next meeting could be held on a different evening accommodate her class schedule; based on feedback from board members, the next meeting has been rescheduled for Wednesday, March 14th.

Frank McCullough: Louise Park still needs to have all fallen and dangling branches removed as soon as possible.

<u>Mark Wilson</u>: Lindberg Park still has branches needing to be removed, and someone should definitely inspect all trees to ensure any dangling branches are safely pulled down as soon as possible. Mr. Wilson also asked whether the township's John Andreas had progressed on his plan of erecting a new flagpole at Lindberg Park; Mr. Wilson will follow up with Mr. Andreas via email to ask for a status update.

Staff Reports & Updates:

<u>Genny Baillie</u>: The township was awarded a grant for developing a Master Site Plan for Lindberg Park, and, in conjunction, the township is working on a township-wide Comprehensive Plan. Ms. Baillie will be putting together notifications for positions for the Summer Playground Program, and applications will be accepted until the end of March.

New Business:

<u>Valley Mountain Bikers</u>: Doug Pinkerton, who was one of three members to attend the meeting, presented their proposed plan for hosting their first cycling event at Walking Purchase Park this summer. The event would be low-key, time-trial style event where each biker is started on 30-second intervals. All proceeds from the event would be put back into park improvements. The event would be on a Sunday, so the course would be set up on Saturday, and the park would be cleaned up by end of day Sunday. The event would be covered under their organization's insurance (already on file with the township), and any child participants would need to have a waiver signed by a parent. The age groups are still to be determined. Ms. Baillie mentioned that a modified full-use permit for this event would need to be issued, and a parking plan would need to be proposed; Ms. DiMatteo mentioned that first-responders (Salisbury, Emmaus and Upper Saucon) would need to be supplied for traffic control.

Adjournment:

The motion to adjourn was made by Mr. McCullough, seconded by Ms. DiMatteo, and approved unanimously by the committee at 8:37PM.

Post-Meeting Business: On Thursday, January 19, Mr. Adamcik sent an email to all committee members stating that, although all on the committee seemed to be in favor of having a community event (such as that described in Ms. DiMatteo's report), no formal approval in the form of an approved motion was made by the committee. As such, Mr. Adamcik motioned via email that we plan such a community event to take place after the end of the current school year, Mr. Aungst seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Next Meeting:

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 14, 2012 at 7:30PM.

Respectfully submitted, Mark R. Wilson Secretary, Recreation Advisory Committee