SALISBURY TOWNSHIP RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES MAY 17, 2010

A regularly scheduled meeting was held at the Salisbury Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Avenue, Allentown, PA 18103. The meeting was brought to order at 7:30 P.M. Committee members in attendance: Frank McCullough, Walt Aungst, Antonella DiMatteo, Frank Adamcik. Staff members in attendance: Genny Baillie, Township Recreation Director and Randy Soriano, Township Manager. Mark Wilson was not present.

Approval of March 2010 Minutes:

On motion by Mr. McCullough, seconded by Mr. Aungst, the Recreation Committee voted to approve the March 15, 2010 meeting minutes as submitted.

On motion of Mr. Aungst, seconded by Mr. McCullough, the Recreation Committee voted to approve the

Parks Tour Minutes as submitted.

UPDATES

<u>Dogs in Lindberg Park:</u> During discussions at a workshop held on April 22, 2010, the Board of Commissioners did not favor in creating an area for dog use at Lindberg Park. Mr. Soriano advised the Recreation Advisory Committee, via email, conveying the Commissioners thoughts and concerns on this matter.

Mr. Robert Maderia, a Western Salisbury resident, voiced his opinion on what was printed in the Salisbury Press regarding dogs at Lindberg Park. He differed with some of the printed statements. He feels that the dogs are domesticated and would not present a problem in a park that is empty about eighty percent of the time. Mr. Maderia suggested posting hours restricting dog use in the park. Ms. Baillie noted that the entire story was not printed. Mr. Aungst stated that the Advisory Committee has sent a letter to the Commissioners favoring dogs in an area at Lindberg Park. He stated that the Recreation Committee could not do anymore; therefore, if Mr. Maderia wanted to pursue this matter he should contact his Commissioner.

<u>Field Conditions:</u> Mr. Adamcik inquired if any work was performed to improve the grass area at Laubach Park. He stated he has not received a reply from Public Works.

NEW BUSINESS

Summer Playground Program: Ms. Baillie reported that the interviews are going well. A tennis clinic is planned again for this year. The program will begin on June 28 and conclude July 30, 2010. The hours and sites will remain the same. Park Day is scheduled for July 28, 2010. Registration will be open to Township children who have completed Kindergarten to age 12.

<u>Bus Trips</u>: Ms. DiMatteo stated that specific dates are needed for cost estimates because prices vary for different days of the week. Most of the summer trips to games are currently sold out. Perhaps a Broadway trip after Thanksgiving could be arranged. Saturday would be preferred.

Mr. McCullough suggested that Ms. DiMatteo contact Ms. Lori O'Hare for some organizational ideas, as Ms. O'Hare runs frequent bus trips for the Church.

Advisory Committee Bylaws: Mr. Adamcik received a revised copy of the Advisory Committee Bylaws from the Township Manager, who is assisting the Committee with their documentation. A retyped copy will be available at the next meeting for review and adoption.

<u>2010 Project List:</u> The list has been updated with deficiencies that were discovered during the Parks Tour. The Township is in the process of performing remedial action. A new updated list that will take into account the work performed by the Township, will be available prior to the next meeting. Mr. Adamcik will do a park inspection.

Ms. Baillie and Mr. McCullough voiced concerns about how the work area of the new tennis courts at Lindberg Park was secured. Mr. Soriano responded in an email that securing the construction area was the responsibility of the contractor. He would speak with the contractor about those concerns. Mr. McCullough also noted that there were noticeable puddles after the last rain on the new court surface.

The motion to adjourn was made by Ms. DiMatteo, seconded by Mr. Aungst, and approved unanimously by the committee at 8:15 P.M.

Next Meeting:

The next regular meeting will be held July 19, 2010 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Frank Adamcik for Mark Wilson