# SALISBURY TOWNSHIP RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 19, 2011

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 7:40 P.M. Committee members in attendance: Frank Adamcik, Walter Aungst, Antonella DiMatteo, Mark Wilson. Staff members in attendance: Genny Baillie, Township Recreation Director, and Randy Soriano, Township Manager.

## **Approval of August 2011 Minutes:**

On motion by Mr. Adamcik, and seconded by Mr. Wilson, the Recreation Committee approved the August 8, 2011 meeting minutes as amended to include the approval by the committee of the two proposed amendments to the Township ordinances concerning park operating hours and regulations.

# **Advisor Reports & Updates:**

<u>Frank Adamcik</u>: Because of the rainy weather, Salisbury Youth Association was given special permission for holding two weeknight home football games at Laubach Park.

<u>Antonella DiMatteo</u>: Township group outings – Mr. Soriano relayed the message that the Board of Commissioners wants proceeds for any future trips to fund Recreation programs. He proposed \$10.00 per ticket add-on above cost as a starting point. Ms. Baillie and Ms. DiMatteo argued that these outings are to provide recreational opportunities for adult residents who otherwise are not served by Township recreation programs and are in lieu of the former Township-funded summer band concerts. Mr. Adamcik suggested that this issue be placed on an upcoming Board of Commissioners workshop agenda to further discuss this matter with the commissioners.

Mark Wilson: Revisited his previous request to have a suitable flagpole installed at his previously-proposed central location within Lindberg Park (and that he, Mr. Adamcik and Mr. McCullough all agreed upon) so that it would be visible from both ballfields and the tennis courts. Mr. Soriano mentioned that the Township Parks Department looked into the matter and will have a new flagpole installed by the end of this year. Specifically, it was determined that installing a new flagpole at the proposed location would be more economical than relocating the existing one that is adjacent to the picnic pavilion.

## **Staff Reports & Updates:**

Genny Baillie: Bleachers will be installed at both McCullough Field in Lindberg Park and Dodson Park before the end of this year. Ms. Baillie is getting estimates from Arbor Fences for two ballfields at Laubach Park and for McCullough Field in Lindberg Park. She submitted a proposal for park bulletin boards into the 2012 budget. Longer term projects include replacement of the playsets at Devonshire Park and River Road Park, and a new pavilion at Laubach Park; other larger projects would be based on a still to be developed Master Plan.

<u>Randy Soriano</u>: Encouraged Recreation Committee to incorporate fundraising into recreation programs whenever possible. Felt that maintenance issues (branches, etc.) need to be handled by Parks Department, with Genny as our conduit to them; he feels that our committee should be focused on recreational programs, not on parks maintenance.

## **New Business:**

<u>Review of Parks Tours</u>: Mr. Adamcik and Mr. Aungst toured the east side parks, and Mr. McCullough and Mr. Wilson toured the west side parks. Discussion during the meeting largely mirrored the attached notes taken during the two park tours.

# **Adjournment:**

The motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Aungst, seconded by Ms. DiMatteo, and approved unanimously by the committee at 8:47PM.

## **Next Meeting:**

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, November 21, 2011 at 7:30PM.

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