

**SALISBURY TOWNSHIP  
RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 21, 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, Frank McCullough and Mark Wilson. Staff members in attendance: Genny Baillie, Township Recreation Director, and Randy Soriano, Township Manager.

**Approval of September 2011 Minutes:**

On motion by Mr. McCullough, and seconded by Mr. Aungst, the Recreation Committee approved the September 19, 2011 meeting minutes as submitted.

**Advisor Reports & Updates**

Frank Adamcik: Laubach Park has many trees down and several branches that are hanging; not much at Dodson or River Road Parks; Franko Park had some damage. Randy noted that there were no damages to any buildings or equipment in those parks.

Walter Aungst: Noted that all parks should be visually inspected and any loose branches should be pulled down.

Antonella DiMatteo: Echoed comments on Laubach Park.

Frank McCullough: Louise Park was hit the worst and is very dangerous. There are a lot of branches that are down. Devonshire is pretty clean.

Mark Wilson: Lindberg Park should definitely be inspected to ensure any dangling branches are safely pulled down.

**Staff Reports & Updates:**

Genny Baillie: Will be resuming the Summer Reading Program during the playground program at all four locations. She received a call from Lehigh County Recreation Director Bob Stiffler who confirmed that they will be installing 25 foot netting along the edge at Dodson Park to prevent soccer balls from going downhill and toward the PPL Utilities substation.

Randy Soriano: Should find out shortly whether the township will be awarded the grant for the Lindberg Park Master Plan. He also noted that Ms. Ackerman praised the playground program and that the basketball was fine this past summer.

**New Business:**

Community Center for Senior Activities: Mr. Adamcik suggested such a center be planned; Ms. Baillie & Ms. DiMatteo felt that the basement of the Township Building could be used as an interim venue until such a building could be budgeted. Mr. Adamcik stated that the basement is currently used for SYA equipment storage, etc., and Mr. Aungst stated that there would be insufficient parking. Mr. McCullough mentioned the Eastern Salisbury Fire Company, and Ms. Baillie also suggested using the Board room for senior-focused programs such as wellness screenings (perhaps sponsored by LVHN or SLHN), financial planning sessions and perhaps even periodic Bingo events. Mr. Aungst feels that a senior association should be formed to organize ongoing activities. Mr. Wilson stated that this committee should kick start this effort by providing something that they are not getting already in their social groups (e.g., a wellness event) and then get their input during that first event. Ms. Baillie also suggested a program from the Allentown Public Library be developed. Ms. DiMatteo will explore organizing a wellness event during the spring months and will be reviewed at the January meeting.

**Adjournment:**

The motion to adjourn was made by Mr. McCullough, seconded by Mr. Wilson, and approved unanimously by the committee at 8:42PM.

**Next Meeting:**

The next regular meeting will be held on **Monday, January 16, 2012 at 7:30PM.**

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