

# Liberty Township Recreation Commission

## Regular Meeting Minutes

### December 16, 2008

Chairman McGreevy called the meeting to order at 7:12 PM in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

**Roll call-** Present: Chairman Mike McGreevy, Vice Chair Amy Dieteman, Al Crisafulli, Mike Doyle, Charles Lindow, Karin Sabo. Excused: John Crisp, Committee Liaison Mark Tibak

**Minutes-** The minutes of November 25 were accepted on a motion by Ms. Dieteman, seconded by Mr. Crisafulli, with all in favor.

**Public Comment** - None

**Communications-** None

#### **Sports Commissioner Reports**

**Soccer-** No report

**Basketball-** Mr. Crisafulli reported two players quit before the first game, and will receive refunds. Ms. Dieteman made a motion to approve Mike Sheridan as a clinic coach, seconded by Mr. Crisafulli, all in favor. The participants are doing fine and having fun, however there are daily small incidents with scheduling, rosters referees, etc. that require a lot of time and coordination. Ms. Dieteman reported the uniforms are all in, and a bill from the vendor was submitted.

**Baseball/Softball-** Mr. Crisafulli presented the final report from 2008. Discussion was held concerning field maintenance, uniforms and prices, raising registration fees for 2009, the concession, and umpires.

Ms. Dieteman made a motion to hold an "Opening Day" program. Team Photos can be taken and food can be sold. The motion included a tentative \$500 budget from the Recreation Trust, and was seconded by Ms. Sabo, with all in favor.

Ms. Greason announced as a reminder the paperwork for coaches receiving funds for umpire and referee fees MUST be completed with game dates and referee signatures or the coaches may receive a 1099 tax form if these forms are not submitted correctly.

#### **Subcommittee Reports**

##### **Parks and Recreation Areas**

**Concession Stand** – no report

**Fields-** The fence work on the dugouts is completed. A new bench will be ordered, and the roofing will be installed by volunteers on a weekend.

**Boat Launch** – no report

#### **Old Business**

**Background checks:** Mr. Tibak gathered information from other municipalities and Mr. Doyle will review.

**2009 Budget:** The 2009 budget request will keep the same amounts as 2008. The Equipment line item of \$4,000 can be used for a yolk rake. The fertilization program, clay, and lime will come from Ballfield Maintenance.

Mr. Crisafulli made a motion to approve \$4,000 from the 2008 equipment line item for a line striper, seconded by Mr. Lindow with all in favor.

The capital improvement plan will include gas powered portable lighting towers.

**Men's Basketball:** Mr. Lindow reported the men can use the gym without a fee to the school, as they view the program as part of the recreation program. There will be less than 20 men age 18 and over. The fee will be \$30 to cover the insurance. The program will be advertised on Comcast, the bulletin board, and the school news. Mr. Crisafulli made a motion to approve the program, seconded by Ms. Sabo with all in favor.

**New Business-** Ms. Greason reported a neighbor of the Free Union Field requested the Commission consider placing netting along that side of the property to prevent occurrences of balls going through car windshields. No action was taken.

**Commissioner and Public Comments**

Ms. Dieteman reported there may be a change in the Use of Facility Policy for the school. There will be no charge for Use Monday through Friday, but there will be weekend rates.

Mr. Doyle proposed meeting earlier in January for re-organization. No action was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Greason, Secretary