

**North Middleton Township  
Recreation Advisory Board Meeting  
January 23, 2018**

The Recreation Advisory Board meeting was held at the Municipal Building, 2051 Spring Road, Carlisle, PA 17013 on January 23, 2018. Chairman David Hoover called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. Board members present were Chairman David Hoover, Secretary Laurie Hoover, Jonas Diffenbaugh, Shirley Thomas and Recreation Director Judy Smith.

**Visitors:** Bryan and Jack Love- Boy Scout Troop 173

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Minutes of the September 26, 2017 Recreation Advisory Board meeting were approved on motion of Secretary Laurie Hoover, seconded by Shirley Thomas. Motion carried unanimously. The October 15, 2017 meeting was cancelled.

**2018 Re-Organization Meeting:** Following discussion of the re-organization of the Recreation Advisory Board, the following Board Members were voted and approved unanimously for 2018:

Chair: David Hoover  
Vice Chair: Shirley Thomas  
Secretary: Laurie Hoover

**Directors Report:**

- A. **3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Budget-** Was reviewed. **4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Budget** – Was not available for review, to be reviewed at February’s meeting.
  
- B. **2018 Approved Budget** – 2018 Budget was reviewed. Judy Smith mentioned the half basketball court flooring, for North Middleton Park, was approved for this year’s budget and ordered. Two frisbee golf nets and materials for T-pads will be ordered and included with equipment donated for a 9- hole frisbee golf course at Creekview Park. ADA and standard size picnic tables for North Middleton Park and Village Park was approved for purchase and ordered. Seal coating on the walking trail at Creekview Park and seal coating and line painting in parking lot at Village Park will also be done this year.
  
- C. **2017 Pavilion Rentals** – Rentals on December 31, 2017 were :159 rentals, totaling \$6,760, with 8,608 guests; compared to December 31, 2016 were: 155 rentals, totaling \$6,300 with 8,707 guests.  
**2018 Pavilion Rentals** – Rentals on January 23, 2018 were: 16 rentals, totaling \$580 with 1,110 guests; compared to January 24, 2017 there were: 13 rentals, totaling \$380 with 940 guests.

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**New Business:**

- A. Eagle Scout Project-** Jack Love, student of Carlisle High School and boy scout for Troop 173, would like to do an Eagle Scout project and make improvements to the ball field dug outs at North Middleton Park. If funds allow, he would like to install a roof to the dug outs, or 2<sup>nd</sup> option, build wooden benches, with 3<sup>rd</sup> option to build bat racks. Jack met with Carlisle Area Little League to propose his ideas. CALL is in favor of this project and will assist him with a grant to help cover costs. The Recreation Board is in favor of this project as well. Jonas Diffenbaugh motioned to accept the Eagle Scout Project and was seconded by Chairman, David Hoover. Motion carried unanimously. Jack Love will meet with the Recreation Board at next month's meeting to give an update on his plan of action. He would like to complete this project in early spring.
- B. Recreation Board Vacancy-** The Recreation Advisory Board is in search of someone to fill Jeff Brenizer's position on the Board. His term expired December 31, 2017. Jonas Diffenbaugh knows of someone who may be interested. He will go back and check with this person to get an answer. Judy Smith in the meantime can advertise the vacancy on the Township website, newsletter and Facebook.
- C. Ballfield Agreements** – Judy Smith is waiting to receive Carlisle Diamonds and Carlisle Area Midget Football Agreements. Judy would like to propose CAMF increase their donation by \$50 starting 2019. It was suggested by Chairman David Hoover to ask for more than \$50, possibly \$100. Due to maintenance issues the Parks Department deals with each season, it is felt this increase substantiates our request.
- D. 2018 Meeting Dates** - Recreation Advisory Board meeting dates for 2018 were handed out.
- E. 2018 Events** - The 2018 dates for all recreational events were handed out.
- F. Motor Mania Event** –
- i. The 'Crystal Haze' band approached Judy Smith about possibly performing for this year's Motor Mania event. Their members come from the Cheap Sneakers band. The Resistors band would like to perform for us again this year. The bands' rate is \$600, same as last year. D.J. Ray Thomas is also available to provide music at his rate of \$300. After Board discussion, Chairman David Hoover made a motion to hire The Resistors again and D.J. Ray Thomas. Jonas Diffenbaugh seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
  - ii. Judy Smith brought up the question as to whether we should still have car judging with trophies since there will be tractors added to the program. It was recommended we continue the car judging with trophies since this is what motivates registrants to come out. We will continue handing out dash plaques and look into getting tractor dash plaques as well.

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- iii. Jonas Diffenbaugh would like to have activities available for children and make it more like a community event. This would require more staff to oversee. Chairman David Hoover suggested the Carlisle Area Little League may possibly help out with this; it would be their way of giving back to the Township for use of the ball fields. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.
- iv. Judy Smith mentioned more food vendors will be needed since tractor enthusiasts will be added to the program. To be discussed further at the next meeting.

**Old Business:**

- A. **Christmas Tree Lighting** – The Christmas Tree Lighting went over very well. There was a larger turn-out of Crestview students who sang and guests. Crafts for the children and plenty of refreshments to go around. Thank you's went out to all who helped and to donors for ornaments, the tree and cookies. A special 'Thank You' was expressed to the Recreation Board for all their efforts and help throughout the year.

**Announcements:**

- A. Next Meeting will be held 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at the Municipal Building, 2051 Spring Road, Carlisle.

**Adjournment:**

Chairman David Hoover adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m. Shirley Hoffman recommended closing the meeting, seconded by Laurie Hoover. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully,

Judy Smith  
Recreation Director  
North Middleton Township

