

**Washington Township Parks and Recreation Board**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**January 17, 2007**

- I. Call to Order** – Chairman Shadle called the meeting to Order at 7:02 PM.
- Members in Attendance - Kevin Hoch, Matt Stonerod and Gurney Buchanan.
- II. Approval of Meeting Minutes** – Matt Stonerod motioned to approve the December 20, 2006 Meeting Minutes as submitted and Gurney Buchanan seconded the motion, with all members present voting in favor of the motion.
- III. Introduction of Guests** – Bob Crabb, Washington Township Road Master
- IV. Old Business** –
- a. Review of New EAA Baseball Field – No Update.
  - b. Loyalton Ball Field –
    - Dugout construction is in progress with the footers and masonry walls complete.
    - The Existing Storage Shed will be Refurbished and Reused at the park.
    - The Volunteer Sign-In Log will be kept in the Township Office.
    - Township Personnel will remove the Playground Equipment when required. Matt will research new Playground Equipment and associated costs.
    - Flag Pole – Ed Bechtel has money in the Loyalton Little League Fund that they may be willing to donate for the new flagpole.
    - Woodsmen of the World are also known to donate flags and maybe a flagpole.
  - c. Loyalton Park Priorities –
    - Ball Field – **New Notation - there is a possibility the Ball Field will not be available for Sports Activities in 2007**
    - Concessions/Restrooms
    - Playground
    - Parking
    - Walking Trail
  - d. Loyalton Park Possibilities/Requirements –
    - Lights for Ball Field
    - Practice Soccer Field behind the Ball Field
    - Control of the Fields
    - Park Rules and Regulations
    - Field Usage Rules

- e. Public input needed for possible scheduling of events. The Parks and Recreation Board will check with Donna Sitlinger to see if any Township Residents have responded. The Parks and Recreation Board will check if there are any interested Parties in assisting with the following possible Activities:
  - March – **Open Bowling – See New Business**
  - April – **Easter Egg Hunt or Coloring – Matt Stoneroad to check with Elizabethville Borough on who sponsors the Easter Egg Hunt in the Elizabethville Borough Park**
  - April/May – Canoe Race
  - May – Fish Rodeo
  - June – Fun Run/Walk
  - July/August – Mini-Golf Tournament
  - September – Bike Rodeo
  - October – Hay Ride
- f. Property Purchase – Supervisor Watson is working on a prospective property. **Dave Shadle to review the property adjoining Loyalton Park with the property owner.**
- g. Kevin Hoch **reviewed and clarified** the Ballfield Fencing requirements.

**V. New Business –**

- a. Washington Township Parks and Recreation Board Reorganization –
  - 1. Matt Stoneroad motioned that Dave Shadle be retained as Chairman and Gurney Buchanan be retained as Secretary, with Kevin Hoch seconding the motion. All members in attendance voted in favor of the motion.
  - 2. Meeting Dates will remain the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Wednesday of every month, with January, February, March, October, November and December meetings starting at 7 PM, and April through September meetings starting at 8 PM.
- b. Bowling – Matt Stoneroad to Chair the Open Bowling Event. Matt reviewed the cost of \$150.00/hour, per Doug Snyder of Valley Lanes, which includes all bowling games and shoe rental. Matt will contact Doug Snyder and review if either March 18, 2007 or March 25, 2007 from 2 PM to 5 PM is available for the Open Bowling Event. Recommendations were made to limit each participant to two (2) games, as a courtesy to all those wishing to participate, if waiting lines are encountered. Matt will check on possible promotional items, with Washington Township Logo, to be distributed at the event – hand towels, cups, mugs, etc.
- c. Bob Crabb, Washington Township Roadmaster, advised the Township had received the Permit for the Drainage Swale and Run Maintenance.

- d. A review and discussion was held on the Washington Township Planning Commission's letter requesting the Parks and Recreation Board develop a Formal Recreation Plan. Dave Shadle will review this issue with the Pennsylvania DCNR for possible examples and guidelines.
- e. Matt Stoneroad will research the cost for Parks and Recreation Board Member shirts, to be worn at Parks and Recreation Events. Matt will check with Donna Sitlinger, Township Secretary, on the availability of the Township Insignia.
- f. The Parks and Recreation Board received a letter from the Pennsylvania DCNR extending the Loyaltan Park Agreement through December 31, 2007.
- g. A review and discussion was held on a letter received from Justin Sierer, Wal-Mart #3412 Store Manager, stating Wal-Mart would like to assist the Parks and Recreation Board in the development and expansion of the Township's recreation fields and parks through a Grant. A Grant Form attached to the letter will be completed by Gurney Buchanan and delivered to Mr. Sierer.
- h. The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, February 21, 2007, 7 PM.

**VI. Adjournment** – Dave Shadle motioned to adjourn the meeting and Matt Stoneroad seconded, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.