



WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP PARK & RECREATION MEETING
December 19, 2012 Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Rick Weiss called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Present were Mr. Weiss, Mr. McNulty, Ms. Schemm, Mr. Smith and Mr. Piotrowicz. Ms. Halber and Mrs. Rice were absent. Also present was Township Manager Tim Tieperman and Chief Financial Officer Barry Lubber.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mr. Weiss led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion to approve the minutes the November 29, 2012 meeting was submitted by Mr. Piotrowicz; seconded by Mr. Smith and passed unanimously.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

LIAISON REPORTS

3. **Open Space Task Force:** Ms. Schemm stated that there is a joint meeting following the Park & Recreation Board's meeting tonight to discuss the best way to use the funds obtained through the referendum and the County grant.

4. **Bike and Hike Committee:** No report – Meeting cancelled for lack of quorum

5. **Environmental Advisory Council:** No report

NEW BUSINESS

6. **2013 Fee Schedule Review:** Mr. Lubber presented the 2013 Swim Club and Day Camp Fee Schedule to the board. He stated that for many years the Swim Club has lost money. In 2012, the loss was approximately \$25,000. While lower than in prior years, it is still a loss. This loss amount does not include Public Works employees time spent on issues at the swim club which would make the loss even greater.

Two years ago, The Swim Club Steering Committee recommended lowering membership rates in an attempt to attract new members; however it didn't work. The fee structure was also changed from a two-tier system (resident and non-resident) to a single rate structure for both.

Mr. Luber stated that staff recommends restoring the two-tier rate structure and to increase rates to comparable rates of 2010. Staff further recommends a 5% discount for memberships paid in full by April 15, 2013.

The rates are as follows: Family: \$425 Resident/\$475 Non-Resident
Individual Child or Adult: \$250 Resident/\$275 Non-Resident
Senior Citizens: \$100 Resident/\$125 Non-Resident
Table Rental: Remains the same @ \$85

Mr. Luber also presented the 2013 registration fees for the Twin Oaks Day Camp. In 2012, the camp lost \$8,000. The option for parents to choose which weeks they want to send their children to camp has been restored and this will hopefully increase the registration.

Mr. Smith commented that two years ago, the Pool Steering Committee was formed of which he was a member. The objective of the committee was to lower the fees to stop the decline in memberships. He also stated that nothing substantial was done at the Swim Club facility to make it more appealing to new members. His feeling was that he is opposed to increasing membership fees at the Swim Club. He asked what the ratio was of non-residents to residents. Mr. Luber stated he would get that number for him.

After a brief discussion, a motion to adopt the 2013 Fee Schedules for the Swim Club and Day Camp was submitted by Mr. Piotrowicz; seconded by Ms. Schemm and passed 4-1 with Mr. Smith voting against. Mr. Weiss also noted that Mrs. Rice had sent an e-mail message in favor of the schedules.

Mr. Tieperman stated that this is not set in stone and can be reviewed again during the year. He also stated that the Township plans on getting an early start with marketing the Camp and Swim Club.

There being no further business, Mr. Piotrowicz submitted a motion, seconded by Mr. Smith to adjourn the meeting. The motioned passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 24, 2013 at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vivian Bell