

**PERKASIE BOROUGH
PARKS AND RECREATION
BOARD**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
December 4, 2013 at Borough Hall
7:00 p.m.**

The monthly meeting of the Park and Recreation Board was held on December 4, 2013. Members present were: Delia Ascher, Youth Delegate, Nelson Hollenbach, Elder Delegate, Barbara Hollenbach, Mary McKay, Elizabeth Jarrett, Chris Uncangco and Jennifer Leatherman. Also present was Borough Councilor Flo Ann Frei. Staff present was Carolyn Hanel, Interim Director of Parks and Recreation.

In the absence of Chair Rich Brummett, Nelson Hollenbach called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Hollenbach led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Public Forum: There were no comments from the public
3. Approval of Minutes: On motion by Barbara Hollenbach, seconded by Elizabeth Garrett, the Meeting Minutes for October 2, 2013 and the Meeting Notes for November 6, 2013 were unanimously approved. [As there was not a quorum of members present on November 6, the Meeting Notes were unanimously accepted.]
4. Old Business
 - Eagle Scout Projects (update): Carolyn Hanel provided information on the status of several pending Eagle Scout Projects. Betty Garrett reported that she had reached out to Boy Scout Troop 199 for project suggestions. Mary McKay commented that her son is involved with Troop 196 and they are available to help with community projects where volunteers are needed.
 - Ball Field Renovations (update): Carolyn Hanel reported that the Borough Council unanimously approved the request from the Men's Senior Baseball League and American Legion Baseball League to renovate the pitcher's mound and home plate area of the field in Kulp Park. Chris Uncangco provided some history of the use of this field and the current conditions. He stressed that this is a safety issue because the pitcher's mound is too high. Work should begin shortly and must be completed by March 3, 2014 when Pennridge High School baseball teams begin using the field for practices. The only cost to the Borough is the infield mix.
5. Reports
 - Dog Park: Nelson Hollenbach reported there were 38 "sittings" at the Picture with Santa event. He also reminded the PRB that the Bark and Wine Event is scheduled for February 8, 2014.
 - Skate Park: Carolyn Hanel reported briefly on the November 12 Skate Park Users meeting. The group will not meet in December, but will meet January 14 to continue

planning for an event/contest in early April. Carolyn also noted that Nelson Hollenbach and Chris Uncangco attended the November 12 meeting.

6. New Business

- 2014 Meeting dates: The PRB discussed optional dates for a meeting in January. The normal meeting date (first Wednesday) is January 1. The following Wednesday, January 8 conflicts with a Planning Commission meeting. Another date where a quorum could be present could not be selected. On motion by Barbara Hollenbach, seconded by Jennifer Leatherman the Park and Rec Board unanimously cancelled the January meeting. The reorganization will take place at the February 5, 2014 meeting. Carolyn distributed a list of the 2014 meeting dates.
- Intern: Carolyn Hanel presented a resume from Robert Cantz, a senior at Temple, who has applied for an internship for January-May, 2014. The Park and Rec Board supported offering Mr. Cantz an internship. Mr. Cantz will receive a stipend of \$500.

7. Other Business and Discussion

- 2014 Budget – update: Carolyn Hanel distributed a draft fee schedule for Menlo Aquatic Center memberships. The revisions are based on the fee structure used at the Hatfield Township aquatic facility. The change would focus on per person fees, rather than family memberships. Based on the 2013 membership levels, the proposed revisions would yield approximately \$60,000 in revenue. The 2014 Fee Schedule will be reviewed by Borough Council at the December 16 meeting.
- Family Friday December 13th – staffing: Five of the PRB members indicated that they would be able to assist at the December 13 Family Friday. The PRB discussed the need for additional volunteers to assist with these programs. It was suggested that staff contact the Pennridge Senior Center, local scout troops, church youth groups and Pennridge High School for volunteers.

8. Public Forum: None

9. Press Forum: None

10. Adjourn: On motion by Mary McKay, seconded by Chris Uncangco the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Hanel, Acting Secretary

Next Meeting: February 5, 2014– 7:00 PM in the Borough Hall Vault.

“The mission of the Perkasio Park & Recreation Board is to preserve and enhance the park system while planning and supporting events for the benefit and enjoyment of our community”.