

**MECHANICSBURG RECREATION BOARD**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

August 13, 2019

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- CALL TO ORDER** The August 13, 2019 meeting of the Mechanicsburg Recreation Board was called to order at 7:19 PM by Chairwoman Ellen Wilson.
- MEMBERS PRESENT** Chairwoman Ellen Wilson, Vice Chairwoman Deeg Meck, Kathleen Snyder and Diane Nace.
- MEMBERS ABSENT** Lorrie Weber, Kathryn Johnston and Bart Miller.
- OTHERS PRESENT** Pool Manager Sue Canniff, Borough Manager Ciecierski, Administrative Assistant Sara Martin.
- GUESTS** None.
- JULY MINUTES**
- DISCUSSION** None.
- ACTION** A **MOTION** was made by Deeg Meck and seconded Diane Nace by to approve the July 9, 2019 meeting minutes. **MOTION** approved.
- REPORTS**
- PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR**
- Pool Manager Sue Canniff reported that the fall brochure will be going out on August 23<sup>rd</sup>, Summer Adventure Camp is officially over as of last week and they are working toward that last day of the pool. *Chairwoman Ellen Wilson noted that Justin Lewis handed in his resignation letter to the Board, so she has thank-you card for everyone to sign for him.*
- BOROUGH COUNCIL LIASON**
- Councilman Stoner was not present. *Manager Ciecierski noted that the only thing Councilman Stoner wanted to talk about was getting the Winter Concert sponsorship letters out.*
  - Manager Ciecierski added that they are still waiting to hear from the School District for the Joint Recreation Agreement about setting up a meeting.
- BOROUGH MANAGER**
- Manager Ciecierski reported that he had Bartlett Tree Service come in and clear out the dead trees/limbs that fell during the wild storm from July.
  - Manager Ciecierski stated that Tonya Brown submitted the grant requirements for the splash pad and water quality grant. He added that they got prices on what could go in at the pool compound for that much money and where. It would be in the front right corner of the facility.

- Manager Ciecierski informed the board of a request to put in a portable gaga pit in Koser as well as a nine in the air court. He noted that the gaga pit is more feasible, but he has concerns with kids hanging on, falling off or trying to break the nine in the air equipment.
- Manager Ciecierski reported that he is looking at having two full time people in the parks for this year, if not end of this year.
- Manager Ciecierski told the Board that he found resin side pieces for 6ft benches that just require 2x4s in middle so we can replace all the benches in the park.
- Manger Ciecierski reported that this weekend on Saturday there is supposed to be a back to school event in Koser that was posted on Facebook, but nobody knows who is running it or or any information about it. It is not through the School District or Fire Company and he does have concerns about logistics based on the cyber flyer.
- Manager Ciecierski noted that included (attached) are thank you + great jobs for the pool staff from patrons. He added that this is the first year without a “Code Brown”, there was great weather, and costs were down (see attached budget sheet).
- Manager Ciecierski stated that there is a list of items from Assistant Manager Boyer regarding preparations and ideas for next season (attached) that he would like the Board to look at and give feedback on.
- Manager Ciecierski informed the Board that the Highway Department has the hardware for the equipment replacement in Finkenbinder Park and will be replacing it as soon as their patching schedule allows.
- Chairwoman Ellen Wilson asked if there was any new tanbark put under the equipment at Memorial. She noted that it is powdery and very dirty and is making the equipment dirty. *Manager Ciecierski answered that they put two new loads in over this summer.*
- Diane Nace noted that last Saturday it was very dirty, and trash was everywhere. *Manager Ciecierski answered that the parks staff did not make it there until after Community Day on Saturday so that was why it wasn't cleaned up when she was there on her morning walk.*
- Deeg Meck asked if there was an old baby swing to replace the missing third one as there are more and more infants waiting to use one in the park.

**PARKS**

**MEMORIAL**

**KOSER**

**FINKENBINDER**

**ACTION ITEMS**

None.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Manager Ciecierski requested that any wish list items for the 2020 budget please be sent to staff now, emphasizing that this includes the pool.

Chairlady Ellen Wilson reported that Tri4Kids went well and one of the parents of a participant offered to volunteer his DJ services for next year.

Chairlady Wilson noted that National Night Out was this past week and asked if the Board could plan something for the Borough to participate next year. *Manager Ciecierski answered that the Board could and that at the recent Borough Council meeting Councilman Weber suggested doing something for Night Out in conjunction with Community Day.*

**COMMENTS ON  
THE JOINT  
RECREATION  
AGREEMENT**

Manager Ciecierski asked that any comments on the Joint Recreation Agreement be forwarded to him and as soon as they have a date set for a meeting, he will let the Board know.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, a **MOTION** to adjourn was made by Diane Nace and seconded by Deeg Meck. **MOTION** approved, and meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sara Martin  
Administrative Assistant