

Township of Lower
Recreation Advisory Board
Minutes

Thursday, August 24, 2015

Lower Township Recreation Center, Conference Room

Call to Order

In Attendance: Deb Johns, Eileen Kreis, Lonnie Bedell, Steve Morey, Mitchell Plenn, Robert Osborn , Rob Lamoreaux

Not In Attendance: Michael Laing, Mark DiDonato, David Pacevich

Approval of Minutes from July 16, 2015

Motion to Accept- Lonnie Bedell

Second- Rob Lamoreaux

New Business

1. Deb Johns read the resignation letter of Michael Laing to the Recreation Advisory Board.
2. Installation of two new Recreation Advisory Board members, Eileen Kreis and Robert Osborn

Old Business

1. A brief update on township aquatic facility plan was provided by Board Member Rob Lamoreaux. Hopefully a letter will be submitted to council in the next couple of months. Assistant Superintendent Bruce Fournier and board member Rob Lamoreaux will attempt to tour other local aquatic facilities by the end of September. There were two representatives from Lower Township senior organizations present in support of the proposed aquatic facility.
2. An update was given regarding the progress being made in regards to the possible creation of athletic fields at Freeman Douglass Park and the Tabernacle Road property. Lillian Graham has officially rescinded her donation of land on Tabernacle Road. Mrs. Graham placed a phone call into Lower Township Clerk Julie Picard with this information. The expansion of Freeman Douglass Park continues to move forward with site surveyys, communication with the State of New Jersey and proposed in person

meetings in the next several weeks. Board member Steve Morey advised that CAFRA permits would be necessary to move this project forward as well.

Superintendents Report

1. Updates were given on football program, cheerleading program, fall soccer, township pool, outdoor facility upgrades and recreation center upgrades, summer camps, ongoing programs, etc....

Remarks for Good of the Order

Lonnie Bedell- Expressed an interest in appointing a local high school student as a liason (non- board member) to the Recreation Advisory Board.

Deb Johns- Expressed concerns again about the need for a board secretary since Bruce Fournier resigned from the board.

The entire board expressed an interest in having the township create a comprehensive beach access plan to create uniform beach access' from Lincoln Boulevard north to the northern most beach access in the Villas.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion- Rob Lamoreaux

Second- Lonnie Bedell

Next RAB Meeting Thursday, September 17, 2015

Chairperson's Signature: _____

Secretary's Signature: _____

Date: _____