MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RECREATION AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WANTAGE, HELD AT THE WANTAGE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING, ON July 26, 2017

CALL TO ORDER:

2017 Board President Greg Williams called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Lorraine Card, Christine Keller, Karen Merritt, Christy Tuper, Greg Williams, Warren Wisse Absent: Nancy Nolte.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT COMPLIANCE

Greg Williams stated, "This meeting is being held in compliance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, Public laws of 1975 Chapter 231. It has been properly advertised and certified."

NEW BUSINESS

Christine Keller made the motion to approve the application for use of facilities:

Sussex Christian School- Fall Soccer

Woodbourne Park - Field #3

September 13, 15, 25, Oct 4

5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

September 19, 27 October 11, 12, 16, 24, 25

3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

November 25

Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Lawrence School field can be used Tuesdays and Thursdays

All dates are confirmed with High Point Soccer League

Christy Tuper seconded the motion.

Ayes: Card, Merritt, Keller, Tuper, Williams, Wisse. Nays: None

Absent: Nolte.

Excluded dates: September 16, 2017 until 11:00 a.m. for the Wantage Township 5K race

October 8, 2017 or rain date October 15, 2017 all day for the Car Show

Christy Tuper made the motion to approve the application for use of facilities:

High Point United Soccer Club

Woodbourne Park - Field #3

August 31 – November 15

Monday − Friday 4:30 p.m. − 8:30 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. − 2:30 p.m.

Sunday 1:00 p.m. − 5:30 p.m.

Lorraine Card seconded the motion.

The portable lights on the field are to be used until 9:30 p.m.

Excluded dates: September 16, 2017 until 11:00 a.m. for the Wantage Township 5K race October 8, 2017 or rain date October 15, 2017 all day for the Car Show

Christy Tuper made the motion to approve the application for use of facilities.

Lawrence School Field- High Point United Soccer Club

August 31 – November 15

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 4:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. − 2:30 p.m.

Warren Wisse seconded the motion.

Ayes: Card, Merritt, Keller, Tuper, Williams, Wisse. Nays: None

Absent: Nolte.

Warren Wisse made the motion to approve the application for use of facilities:

Sussex Wantage Softball

Woodbourne Park - Field # 1, 2

August 1, 2017 - October 31, 2017

Monday – Friday 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Saturday – Sunday 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Excluded dates: September 16, 2017 until 11:00 a.m. for the 5K race

October 8, 2017 or rain date October 15, 2017 all day for the Car Show

Christy Tuper seconded the motion.

Ayes: Card, Merritt, Keller, Tuper, Williams, Wisse. Nays: None

Absent: Nolte.

Christine Keller made the motion to approve the application for use of facilities:

Sussex Wantage Little League Baseball

Lott Road - Fields #1, 3

August 15, 2017 – November 15, 2017

Monday − Friday 4:00 p.m. − 8:00 p.m.

Saturday Mornings.

Christy Tuper seconded the motion.

Ayes: Card, Merritt, Keller, Tuper, Williams, Wisse. Nays: None

Absent: Nolte.

Christy Tuper made the motion to approve the application for use of facilities:

Sussex Wantage Little League Baseball

Woodbourne Park - Field #4

August 15, 2017 – November 15, 2017

Monday- Friday - Times to be worked out with Travel Baseball.

Excluded dates: September 16, 2017 until 11:00 a.m. for the 5K race

October 8, 2017 or rain date October 15, 2017 all day for the Car Show

Christine Keller seconded the motion.

Aves: Card, Merritt, Keller, Tuper, Williams, Wisse, Navs: None

Absent: Nolte.

Lorraine Card made the motion to approve the application for use of facilities:

High Point Travel Baseball

Woodbourne Park - Field #4

August 1, – November 1

Saturday & Sunday 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

(Field usage will be worked out with Little League Baseball.)

Excluded dates: September 16, 2017 until 11:00 a.m. for the 5K race

October 8, 2017 or rain date October 15, 2017 all day for the Car Show

Karen Merritt seconded the motion.

Ayes: Card, Merritt, Keller, Tuper, Williams, Wisse. Nays: None

Absent: Nolte.

To improve the anchoring of the Wantage Township tents from the wind, the Recreation Committee requested to replace the dry base wood to a new heavier wood and include additional portable weights to the bottom of the tents.

Additional request was to repair the boat ramp launch at Lake Neepaulin.

OLD BUSINESS

The Jim Doherty memorial plaque template has been completed. With the help of the DPW workers and Greg Williams, a memorial rock will be relocated to the front section of the baseball field #4, at Woodbourne Park. The Recreation Committee will set a dedication date when the bronze cast and mounting is completed.

Discussions took place concerning the 5K race for Saturday, September 16, at Woodbourne Park.

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

A new donation process will be established for the car show because of a recent audit. All cash donations will go to Welcome Home Vets Fund of New Jersey and checks made out to Wantage Township will go toward expenses. Any additional money will be added to next year's car show event.

A purchase order was made to order two additional banners for the car show. In total, three banners will be placed along the roadside.

A stand was purchased to raise the height of the new portable PA system to help enhance communications at park events.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Christine Keller made the motion to approve the May 24, 2017 minutes and Warren Wisse seconded the motion.

Ayes: Card, Merritt, Keller, Tuper, Williams, Wisse. Nays: None

Absent: Nolte.

Karen Merritt made the motion to approve the June 28, 2017 minutes and Warren Wisse seconded the motion.

Ayes: Card, Merritt, Keller, Tuper, Williams, Wisse. Nays: None

Absent: Nolte.

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION

Committeeman Ron Bassani discussed open space properties in Wantage Township in regards to purchasing land for active and nonactive activities for the community. Once all is finalized the Township Committee would like advisement from the Recreation Advisory Committee to help plan the development.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Christine Keller and seconded by Christy Tuper. Ayes: Card, Merritt, Keller, Tuper, Williams, Wisse. Nays: None Absent: Nolte.

Respectfully Submitted, Arlene DeLaOsa, Board Secretary