PARK AND RECREATION BOARD OF HALFMOON TOWNSHIP MINUTES OF 4-7-2016 MEETING

Board Members Present: Doug Dillon, Todd Kirsten, Yvonne Smith

Others Present: None

Meeting was called to order by the Chair, Todd Kirsten, at 7:05 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the 2-4-2016 regular meeting were unanimously approved.

MASTER SITE PLAN

The board revisited the estimated cost of the restroom enclosure/shelter as it was listed in the Master Site Plan [\$15,000]. Board members unanimously agreed that while they continue to support the idea of an enclosure to improve the aesthetics of the porta-potty areas, they adamantly disagree with the estimated cost of \$15,000 and feel there is a less costly approach to essentially getting the same outcome.

Board members in attendance unanimously supported the overall recommendation to "phase" the project in a common sense way that keeps the funding aspect of the park improvements within the township's current financial position without a tax increase. This would allow time to see how township residents respond to each phase (i.e., increased use of the parks) before moving on to the next set of projects, and to make sure that money is being spent wisely.

OUTDOOR MOVIE EVENT

Board members were informed of the possibility of receiving free-of-charge, the necessary equipment to show the movie at this year's event. This would allow the board to discuss holding an "Evening at the Park" type event that would include additional activities prior to the movie. Those discussions, as well as the decision on the movie title for the 2016 event, will be placed on May's regular meeting agenda.

The board set the dates for the 2016 movie event. The event will take place on Saturday, August 27, with a rain date of Saturday, September 10.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Mr. Kirsten informed the board that the township manager will be attending the May 5, meeting to provide an update regarding her meeting with the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) and the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) representatives pertaining to grant funding and park plan implementation priorities.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Minutes drafted and submitted by:

Todd Kirsten Chairman, Park & Recreation Board of Halfmoon Township