

The North Strabane Township Parks and Recreation Board met in regular session on Tuesday, March 9, 2010 at 6:30 P.M. at the Municipal building, located at 1929 Route 519, Canonsburg, PA.

Attending this session

Kim Clark, Chairperson
Amy Wiszczor, Vice Chairperson
Suzanne Bitsko, Member
Kim Bonifield, Member
Debbie Gasper, Member
Susan Pearson, Member

Also attending this session

Margaret Householder, Stenographer

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

At this time we welcome our new member, Kim Bonifield.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 12, 2010

Motion by A. Wiszczor, seconded by D. Gasper to approve the minutes of January 12, 2010. Motion carried, all members present voting yes, and the minutes were approved as presented.

OLD BUSINESS SANTA EVENT

We do have Thomas Presbyterian Church booked for this year's event. We have paid \$100 as a deposit for use of their facility. There may be an additional fee for use of the kitchen. We plan on having 3 sessions, with a limit of around 50 children per seating. We have also booked Kristy Kringle for our entertainment. The event is scheduled for December 18th.

SKATING PARTY

Our second annual skating party is scheduled for this Saturday, March 13th, from 5 to 7 P.M. Flyers went out to the schools advertising the party. Participants are asked to bring a non-perishable food item to be donated to the Washington County Food Bank. Admission is free to residents. They must pay for skate rentals.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Our Hunt is scheduled for March 27th, at 10 A.M. Sharp. Tammi Slain wants to borrow the bunny costume for Meadowbrook residents. Members will meet Friday evening, March 26th to begin setup. K. Clark has shopped for gifts and got a big discount at ToysRUs. She is to call in early February next year to make contact with the store manager. A. Wiszczor will check to see if her father has any straw bales to sell. We need 10 bales. K. Bonifield will also check. We will send flyers out to the schools to notify them about the Hunt.

Stenographer will call Gerry Stevens to see if he wishes to volunteer his assistance this year. We will prepare 300 bags of candy for the children.

Stenographer will check on the bunny outfit.

S. Pearson will take care of picking up donuts for our volunteers. Perhaps Roberta from Wendy's will donate coffee. We do have two coffeepots to use, to provide hot coffee to parents.

The Easter Bunny will arrive on our fire truck again this year.

**BALLFIELD
ASSIGNMENTS**

We will table review of ball field assignments.

EARTH DAY

Earth Day is planned for April 24th, from 10 to 2. Volunteers will report to the concession stand. Members reviewed the promotional items and chose the green t-shirt, "It's Easy to be Green" as this year's gift for our volunteers. We will order 100 t-shirts. Stenographer will check on-line for pricing of the t-shirts. Stenographer will request garbage bags, safety vests and gloves from our contact at PennDOT. If our budget permits, we will buy refreshments for our volunteers.

5K RACE

A. Wiszczor gave the following information: sanction money was sent out this week. We are on their schedule. We are set up on Active.com. The running guy is signed up. We are also set up on Road ID.com. She will be sending out registration forms for last year's participants. The start time is changed to 8:30 from 9:00 and 8:45 for the walk. The Fun Run has been held at 10:00 A.M., but since we are moving the race up by a half hour, we should probably move the Fun Run up to 9:30.

K. Clark reported Gobbie Chiropractic is going to sponsor the Fun Run for \$250.00. We will promote it through the schools. We thought we would increase the registration fee to \$6.00 from \$5.00.

K. Clark pointed out the Fun Run benefits the Township, and the 5K benefits the Fire Department.

We will still do cash prizes, and will keep the registration fee at \$15.00. We will need to lay out a new course, because we no longer have access to the Municipal Park.

Stenographer will do road closing application for PennDOT. A. Wiszczor commented residents of Linden Road were upset last year because they didn't know the road was going to be closed for the duration of the race. She asked if we could notify residents about the closure (partial closure).

We will have to order t-shirts. A suggestion was made to use a heather gray shirt with red lettering and use the new emblem.

It was decided to have R. Pearson choose the awards for this year's 5K. We need 70 medallions, and we paid \$2.50 each last year. We also need 8 trophies, and paid \$5. apiece last year.

D. Gasper reported that Dr. Day would like to come out and do a health and wellness screening for the runner. He could probably donate water bottles for the runner's bags. Dr. Day inquired about sponsoring our 5K.

Discussion turned to levels of sponsorship. Last year we offered three levels - \$350., \$250. and \$150. After further discussion, we will eliminate the \$150. level. We will have a \$350., a \$250., and the In-Kind/Other sponsorship.

We will prepare for 150 participants.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by A. Wiszczor, seconded by S. Bitsko to adjourn the meeting, all business being concluded. Motion carried, all members present voting yes, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Kim Clark, Chairperson

Amy Wiszczor, Vice Chairperson