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**August 9, 2011**

The North Strabane Township Parks and Recreation Board met in regular session on Tuesday, August 9, 2011 at 6:30 P.M. at the Municipal Building, located at 1929 Route 519, Canonsburg, PA.

Attending this session

Kim Clark, Chairperson  
Vianna Bandi, Vice Chairperson  
Debbie Gasper, Member  
Chuck Ruslavage, Member

Absent from this session

Suzanne Bitsko, Member

We have received resignations from Susan Pearson and Kim Bonifield.

APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES OF  
JULY 12, 2011

There are a couple of revisions to the minutes. Approval will be tabled.

OLD BUSINESS  
5K RACE

C. Ruslavage has an invoice from the timing service for the 5K Race, for \$379.68. We will subtract the sales tax. The Fire Department will submit a tax-exempt form with payment. At this time, members review the invoice, because they were not happy with the service received. It appears there may be a discount given on the charge for number of finishers. K. Clark would like to challenge the bill. She will call and let the timing service know how disappointed we were with the service. They only provided one staff person for us this year. In the past, we had two staff members to provide the service. The staff person who was here forgot his computer, and had to run home for it. She will also contact Amy Wiszczor to compare last year's bill with this one. V. Bandi commented we had utter confusion with the timing service this year,

K. Clark continued we must be in place and ready for registration by 7:00 A.M. next year. We were not ready in time this year.

K. Clark also stated we need to monitor our publicity next year, as well. We also need to make a few changes on our flyer. For one thing, we had a bad e-mail address on it. If you click on that address, it refers you to another website. V. Bandi commented Amy Wiszczor set that up and continued that perhaps we should refer to the Township website in the future.

There was discussion about providing copies of the race route next year.

We also need to clarify our dates regarding the deadline to apply and pre-registration.

FISHING DERBY

K. Clark stated she received two phone calls, asking if we are planning another Fishing Derby in August. We have already made the decision not to hold the Derby again this year. The Township Office actually received two applications for the Derby, thinking it would be held in August.

She continued perhaps we will only do one Derby next year, and have it in August. We expected the fishing would be better in the spring, but it really wasn't. D. Gasper suggested that perhaps we can post the Fishing Derby flyer on Canon-McMillan's website.

We may have scheduled too many events for spring this year.

NEW BUSINESS  
CAR CRUISE

Our Car Cruise is set for October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Our rain date is the following Sunday. K. Clark has a basket, donated by Amy Wiszczor, for the Chinese Auction. D. Gasper suggested we may want to do a harvest soup contest, or perhaps we can sell soup. We'll also have hot dogs and hamburgers. Pasta salad sells well, so we'd like to offer that. K. Clark offered to make it. V. Bandi suggested buying the vegetables at the farmer's market, and stated she has pasta to donate. K. Clark would like to have chili, as well. We may want to buy the cupcakes from Sam's Club again. Perhaps each member could donate cookies or brownies. V. Bandi suggested we do brownies instead of the cupcakes. We can also use our fryer and do French fries. We can serve them with chili and cheese. She continued she'll organize the Chinese auction. K. Clark will work on sponsorships.

D. Gasper asked if we wanted to do the \$1.00 off discount tickets. K. Clark stated yes, we do. She has been passing out the flyer, as well as Jim Bell. The information is on our website, as well as other websites.

After some discussion about a DJ, it was decided to have Joe Kerecki for the Cruise. D. Gasper has already spoken to him.

We usually pay about \$12.00 for each plaque. We'll also do a 50/50.

D. Gasper requested some help with the registration.

REQUEST FOR  
BORLAND  
MANOR  
PARKETTE

K. Clark doesn't feel we would be successful if we were to make a request to the Board of Supervisors to invest in the Borland Manor Parkette, as per the request of several residents in the area for a community garden. She continued 4-H looks for locations to put in

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gardens, manage, harvest, etc. Perhaps that is worth pursuing. Members agree. D. Gasper suggested a Boy Scout troop might be willing to clean up and prepare the land.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by C. Ruslavage, seconded by V. Bandi to adjourn the meeting, all business being concluded. Motion carried, all members present voting yes, and the meeting was adjourned.

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Kim Clark, Chairperson

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Vianna Bandi, Vice Chairperson