

LOWER POTTS GROVE PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION

April 11 2006 MEETING

The Lower Pottsgrove Park and Recreation Commission held its regular meeting on Tuesday, April 11, 2006. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm. In attendance were Patti Bleakley, Tom Troutman, Earl Norton and Ed Wagner.

Patty Bleakley motioned approval of the minutes of the January 10, 2006 meeting and Earl Norton seconded the motion. The vote was 3-0

The Treasurer's Report, as presented, was motioned for approval by Earl Norton and seconded by Patty Bleakley. Checking - \$4,043.27 Savings - \$117,279.89. The vote was 3-0.

Old Business

1. **Summer Concert Series** – Ed presented the list of dates and times for the 2006 Summer Concert Series. He was able to book six (6) concerts that would be free to the public. The series will begin on Sunday, June 25th at 7:00pm with a performance by Mango Men. Ed informed members that Haines and Kibblehouse has agreed to sponsor the entire series for approximately \$3,500. In the meantime, Ed asked commission members about the possibility of hanging a banner over High Street this summer. All members thought this was a great idea but Tom wanted to know the cost of the banner. Ed stated he received a quote from Tri County Signs for approximately \$600 but Tom wanted a lower price. Ed will ask them for a more firm number.
2. **Easter Egg Hunt** - Ed wanted to thank all the volunteers for their participation in the 5th Annual Easter Egg Hunt. It was a nice sunny day and this led to the large turn out of people who attended the hunt. Ed again thanked all the volunteers who help make this event possible.

New Business

1. **Fishing Derby** - Ed reminded members that the fishing rodeo will take place on Saturday, June 3rd at 7:30am. National Penn Bank has agreed to purchase approximately \$850 worth of fish for the event. Ed hopes to have over 100 children register for the event. In addition, he wants to give away a variety of prizes and provide some incentives for children to come out and experience the art of fishing. The fishing flyers will be distributed to the local schools during the first week of May.
2. **Snell Road Project** – Wil Hallman, President of Buchert Ridge Community (BRC) offered to donate excess clean dirt to the township in order to help level the Snell Road Park. BRC has agreed to pay for the application fee for the Montgomery County Conservation District. All members thought this was great idea and looked forward to finally starting this project.
3. **Fence Project at Richards Park** – Ed asked members if they were interested in replacing two baseball backstops and two sections of players' safe fencing at Richards Park. The cost for replacing the fencing would be approximately \$5,000. Patty thought this was a great idea and supports using township funds.

Patty made the motion and Earl Norton seconded to have Ed contact Montco Fence to begin the project as soon as possible.

4. **Annual Park Tour** – Ed reminded members about the annual park tour that will take place on Tuesday, May 9th at 6:00pm. If all members could meet at the township building parking lot so that we can all fit into one car. Tom Troutman really enjoys this tour and urged all members to attend.
5. **Other** – Ed mentioned that Pottsgrove Soccer Association has agreed to contribute \$5,000 for a new 60” zero turning mower for the Public Works Department. The cost of the new mower is approximately \$9,900 and Ed hopes Parks and Recreation Board could cover the rest of the cost. Patty made the motion and seconded by Earl Norton to contribute the remaining funds for the new mower.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made to end the meeting by Patti and seconded by Tom at 7:15pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 9, 2006.

Submitted By: _____
Edward C. Wagner Assistant Manager