

West Brandywine Township
Park and Recreation Board Meeting

May 8 2007

Call to Order: 7:03pm

Board Members:

Present: Jeff Chalfant, Michelle Benkovich, Mark Hartnett, Paula Kondracki, Vanessa Baron; Joe Arvay arrived later

- **Previous Minutes**

Minutes for Apr 2007 were read

Motion to Accept: JC

Motion to second: VB

Yes_5 No_0__

- **Old Business:**

Community Day

Parking was a problem as the Civil Air patrol volunteers did not show up on time.

We had to re-assign two members to assist. Discussion on who is responsible for traffic control and parking and arranging for that control. Who should contact fire police for assistance? Attendance was low; police bike derby had around 85 compared to 200 in 2006. Caln had their own day but attendance was down there as well. Weather was nice and not too hot. We had good advertising with exposure in The Weekender and the newsletter. Possibly place an ad in newspaper and radio exposure. Not much interest was shown in the Lukens band. People may have been attending for specific attraction, such as car show or K9-Rudy or just bike derby. Car show was good and support for doing it again. Two spaces were allowed for each car on display. Interest for 911 may not be high enough. Perhaps they could have a demonstration or two. Timing again was issue with events overlapping. T-shirts from 2006 were given away and donation jar had quite a bit. Paula has all the figures. Raffles did not sell as well as last year. Raffle for Y membership was not good; perhaps use that donation at a different event. We had a chocolate basket, Tastefully Simple basket, lottery ticket basket was best with \$65. 50/50 was only \$11. Maybe better location in tent. Amusement tickets pony rides, Frog toss game, penny toss was less, 4 inflatables where we may want to cut back if we continue with games. Tickets were .25. Most rides/games were 3 tickets and pony ride was 10. We may need to gradually increase the number of tickets to 4 or \$1 rather than increase the ticket cost. Prizes for games were good quality so we did not need to use our prizes. They should be called back for next year. Paula presented the costs and tickets received for each game/ride. We expect the Rotary, Italian Ice and Auntie Anne's to send checks. Food sales were not great. So far expenses total to date \$4720 and sponsor/other income \$4075, excludes scoreboard, grant and grounds upkeep. We may need to exclude the Fun Factory spin art/face painting, reserving that for Easter. Parking needs to be considered for 2008 and perhaps the idea to allow parking on Lafayette Road by closing it to thru traffic.

May is Bike Safety month. We should consider Strawberry Festival, Mother's Day weekend, other local events to coordinate.

Patti Berry was mentioned as the newest member of the board.

She had a business engagement and unable to attend.

Field Use-

Scoreboard – Scoreboard ceremony scheduled for Tuesday May 15. Giant Thorndale store manager will be on hand for check presentation/first pitch prior to 6pm game. Invites should be sent to BoS and manager. Jeff needed to send the notice to Giant on May 9. Low key ceremony.

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Snack trailer- EBYA no longer playing double headers on Saturday so trailer was not reserved. Wish list should include the snack shack.

Banners- 5 banners on order at \$200 per sponsor for 2007-2008. Notice was in the newsletter. Vanessa suggested contacting Applebee's.

Fall season starts Labor Day until October 30.

Movie night/Concerts-

Concert- June 10-@Caln- Mangomen

Concert- June 24-@WBT- CC Pops 7pm

Concert July 22-@Caln- Mad Jazzsters

Concert- [Aug.5-@WBT-7pm](#)- CC Lawmen

Movie nights- @sunset

June9- Star Wars I- PG - Saturday Joe, Mark, Michelle

June 29- Independence Day-PG-13- 153 mins. (2.5hr)

July 13- Star Wars II-PG- 142 mins.

July 27 – Spiderman 2- PG13- 2hr

August 10- Star Wars III- PG 140 mins.

August 24- Chronicles of Narnia- PG- 2.25hr

Joe will get snacks; some popcorn was expired. Mark suggested donating the current snacks/soda to the office. Joe will get a mix box of chips. Michelle suggested push up ice pops. She'll get ice cream. Water and other beverages will be stored over at the fire property so we need to make advance arrangements. We won't be able to use the police garage. Soda, water, Powerade and candy are being donated. We set prices at \$1 for beverages and most candy/popcorn. Paula will make price for use in plastic stands. 439877890 need ice for water/soda and will use freezer unit for ice cream. Freezer should be set on the day before and some sodas/water cooled overnight.

No working meeting was set. Paula will contact Tom for screen and other supplies.

Advertising- Community Courier, Ledger- Vanessa will take care of this.

Newsletter article is due. Schedule worked well on back cover.

Bus trip to NY is filling up, June 16

Bus trip to Annapolis was cancelled May 5.

Next meeting:

Movie Night- June 9

Parks & Rec. Board Tuesday Jun 12 7pm

Motion to adjourn:MH

Seconded:VB

Yes__6__ No_0_____

Adjournment: 8:27pm

PREPARED BY: Mark Hartnett