

**MINUTES OF THE RECREATION AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT THE WANTAGE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
ON JULY 24, 2019**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

2019 Board President, Christy Tuper, called the meeting to order.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT COMPLIANCE**

Ms. Tuper stated, "This meeting is being held in compliance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, Public laws of 1975 Chapter 231. It has been properly advertised and certified."

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Kathy Gorman, Ellen Smith, Christy Tuper, Warren Wisse, Darryl Wuhrl

Absent: Lorraine Card

**NEW BUSINESS**

Christy Tuper states that the Recreation and Park Advisory Committee along with the Administrator, Mike Restel, of the Township of Wantage have received notice from Lorraine Card that she will be stepping down from the recreation committee.

A motion is made by Christy Tuper, seconded by Darryl Wurhl, to table the application for field use of Fields 5 and 6 at Woodbourne Park submitted by Sussex Christian School, High Point United Soccer Club and Sussex Middle School until the August 28, 2019 meeting for clarification of field availability. High Point United Soccer was granted approval to use Fields 5 and 6 through August 28, 2019.

A motion was made by Kathy Gorman, seconded by Ellen Smith, to approve the field use application of Sussex Wantage Softball as follows:

Woodbourne Park Fields 1 & 2

August 1 – October 31

8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Excluding the dates of September 21<sup>st</sup> (township 5K) before 12:00 p.m. and September 28<sup>th</sup> (Wantage Day) all day.

A motion was made by Christy Tuper, seconded by Kathy Gorman, to approve the field use application by Sussex Wantage Little League as follows:

Woodbourne Park Field 4 and Field 1 (when not in use by SW softball)

Lott Road Fields 1, 2, 3 and 4

August 31 – November 2

Monday-Friday: 5:00 p.m. – dark

Saturdays 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Excluding the dates of September 21<sup>st</sup> (township 5K) before 12:00 p.m. and September 28<sup>th</sup> (Wantage Day) all day at Woodbourne Park.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

There is discussion whether Woodbourne Park Field 4 should be converted into a multi-functional field that both baseball and softball at all ages can use. Field 4 has not been used very often over the past two years due to low registration numbers at the age level that it is designed for.

There is discussion on the planning of the fishing contest.

There is discussion updating the committee on the status of planning the Wantage Day Fall Festival. It is asked if the recreation committee should research speaker systems for the pavilion at Woodbourne Park to be used at township events.

### **COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS**

Kathy Gorman updates the recreation committee that six picnic tables have been bought for under the pavilion at Woodbourne Park.

### **OPEN PUBLIC SESSION**

Todd Fisher, Sussex Wantage Little League, is present to discuss the league's organization of its Second Annual Cornhole Tournament to be held during the Wantage Day Fall festival and how it will be organized.

Mr. Fisher also explains to the recreation committee the league's need to use other baseball fields instead of the Lott Road fields. The mosquitos at the Lott Road fields are becoming unbearable. Parents are staying in their cars rather than sit by the fields to watch their children. Christy Tuper asks Nicole Dunn to speak with the township administrator as to whether anything can be done to remedy the situation.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Warren Wisse made the motion to approve the minutes of the June 26, 2019 Recreation and Parks Advisory Committee. Darryl Wuhrl seconded the motion.

Ayes: Gorman, Smith, Tuper, Wisse, Wurhl

Nays: None                      Absent: Card

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made Christy Tuper to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Ellen Smith.

Ayes: Gorman, Smith, Tuper, Wisse, Wuhrl

Nays: None                      Absent: Card

Respectfully submitted,  
Nicole Dunn,  
Board Secretary