CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Montville Township Recreation Commission was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Driscoll with the following statement being read: “As required by the Open Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided, which notice specified the date, time and place to the extent known at that time; the notice having been submitted to the Citizen of Morris County, Daily Record newspapers, filed in the Township Clerk’s office, as well as posted on the bulletin board of the Municipal Building.”

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Chair Driscoll, Vice-Chairman Colaiacovo, Commissioners Gauweiler, Moscone, Van Koppen, Manfra, Marrapodi, Hill and Perretta, Director Dent and Secretary Johansen.

ABSENT: None

LIAISONS: MBSA Mark Fedele (Present)
        BRONCOS Vacancy (Present)
        GARDENS Vacancy (Absent)
        HOCKEY Mark Armelino (Present) ALT – John Dec (Absent)
        LACROSSE Larry Garb (Absent) ALT – Daren Colaiacovo (Present)
        SOCCER Jeff Axelrod (Absent) ALT – John Lo Basso (Absent)
        TWP COM Rich Cook (Present)

MINUTES

Motion made by Commissioner Van Koppen to approve the January 10, 2018 minutes, seconded by Commissioner Moscone, all in favor by voice vote.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Letter from BOE regarding the sportsmanship awards on June 20th at 6pm. Commissioner Hill volunteered to attend the awards ceremony.

- Kiwanis – A letter was received from Kiwanis that stated they are interested in offering assistance with the playground project.
DIRECTORS REPORT

Director Dent stated that Basketball season is extended to 3/19 due to weather/power outages. Annual Egg Hunt is scheduled for Sunday, March 25th at 1pm at Community Park. Rain date is Friday, March 30, 2018. Opening Day Baseball Parade is Saturday, April 21st, annual spring clean-up is April 28th. Michelle Sullivan Tournament is May 3rd, 4th & 5th, the annual fishing derby is Saturday, May 5th. Need field lining requirements for spring from Lax and Soccer.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Community Park Playground Replacement – Director Dent stated that the subcommittee met earlier and will present their final recommendation to the Commission to vote on this evening.

2. Masar Park Lighting – Director Dent stated that the target start date is fall of 2018.

3. Eckhart Barn - Director Dent currently does not have an update on this.

4. Community Park Turf Replacement update – Director Dent stated the field was opened on February 14, 2018

NEW BUSINESS

1. Community Park Playground Replacement – Commissioner Van Koppen stated they received specs from three companies, Burke (Ben Shaffer Recreation), Playworld and General Recreation. The total cost for Burke would be $656,735.59 which includes $318,187.30 for the equipment. The Burke equipment has more activities where there are fewer activities with Playworld’s barn theme. The age group areas will remain the same. Kiwanis offered to assist with the demolition of the existing playground. Director Dent suggested having Kiwanis get involved with a paver project at the entrance since the pavers that are currently there are beginning to lift. The project would take approximately two months from start to finish. Demolition would begin in August and installation would have to start right after Labor Day at the latest. The Township Engineer and Construction Dept. will also be involved in the oversight of the project.

Motion made by Commissioner Van Koppen and seconded by Commissioner Manfra, to approve the playground replacement plan by Burke (Ben Shaffer). All in favor by roll call vote.

PUBLIC SESSION

None
LIAISON’S REPORTS:

BRONCOS – Liaison Gauweiler had no report.

GARDENS – Director Dent stated they are in the process of forming a garden committee. Jim Muhaw will not be continuing as the liaison.

HOCKEY – Liaison Armelino stated that 22 kids are signed up for the spring. He is looking into a round robin tournament with Parsippany, Fairfield and Rockaway.

LACROSSE – Vice-Chairman Colaiacovo stated that spring practice has started and has been postponed due to the weather. They are currently using an indoor facility. The games will start in early April and completed by the first weekend in June. The alumni game will be played on June 2nd.

MBSA – Liaison Fedele stated that registration is completed. Travel programs will start next weekend. The season will be delayed two weeks because of the snow. He will coordinate to have the lines painted on the fields. He may be requesting turf use for practice.

SOCCER ASSOCIATION – Liaison Axelrad absent, no report.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE – Liaison Cook stated that the Committee approved the funding for the playground replacement.

VOUCHERS: On a motion made by Commissioner Manfra, seconded by Commissioner Marrapodi, the January and February 2018, vouchers presented for payment were approved by voice vote.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, April 11th, at 7pm - at Montville Township Municipal Building

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to discuss, on a motion made by Commissioner Colaiacovo, seconded by Commissioner Manfra, the meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Johansen, Secretary

Reviewed by,  
Lori Dent, Director  
4/5/18