

## Park & Recreation Meeting

January 23, 2006

7:30 PM

Chairman Ed Rand called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm in the Manor Township Municipal Building, 950 West Fairway Drive, Lancaster, PA. He led those in attendance in the pledge to the flag. Roll call was taken.

Members present: Ed Rand, Karla Vinson, Paul Miller, Jeff Roth and Mark Korman.

Members absent: Brandon Danz and Bob McGaw.

Staff present: Bill Laudien and Rita Young.

### Minutes

Paul Miller made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 26, 2005 meeting as presented. Mark Korman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

### Organizational Meeting

Mark Korman made a motion to have Ed Rand as Chairman of the Board for 2006. Jeff Roth seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Ed Rand made a motion to elect Mark Korman as Vice Chairman for the Board. Karla Vinson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mark Korman made a motion to elect Brandon Danz as Secretary for the Board. Paul Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Jeff Roth made a motion to close the nominations, seconded by Paul Miller. The motion carried unanimously.

### Regular Monthly Meeting

#### Business From the Floor

There was no business from the floor.

#### Old Business

There was no old business.

#### New Business

Mr. Laudien reported on the following subjects.

River Trails updates – He noted that the Supervisors have sent a letter of support, to the County, for the six miles of corridor from the base of Turkey Hill to Pequea. He stated this is the low grade rail line that is no longer active. He explained that it is a perfect area for hiking. Mr. Laudien commended Christine Brubaker for the outstanding work she has done to help make all this possible. She has worked on bringing a network of trails together from River Road to the river and then connect them with the Rails to Trails area. He noted the trail runs through several properties that are separately owned by PPL, The Conservancy or LCSWMA. Mr. Laudien stated that Christine Brubaker has done much to have these areas work together and become connected and he stated he would hope this will lay the foundation to acquire more land. After some

discussion on the area, Bill noted that the only problem in the hiking area is that cell phones do not work and it is a remote area for access if there would be any emergency.

Park and Open Space Study Update – Mr. Laudien provided copies of the two proposals that have been returned as a request for a Park and Open Space Study. He stated that the Supervisors have agreed to a funding cap of \$50,000. for the project. Mr. Laudien noted the first proposal is from Harry Roth Consulting Company for \$49,985. and the second one is from David Miller Associates for just under \$15,000. He noted the large difference in price is due to the difference in contents of the proposals. He noted that the one for \$49,985. is a much more in depth study including large facilities and access fields. He stated that the proposal for \$15,000. is more appropriate for what is needed at this time for Manor Township. Mr. Laudien noted that they are waiting to hear if the Township will receive a grant to help with this and added that they cannot move forward until they are notified because if they would, it would forfeit the grant. He stated that they should have an answer by April and Miller's are ready to move ahead when notified. The Board asked if the Supervisors will stop the project if we do not receive the grant. Bill stated that the Supervisors have decided to continue with or without the grant. He stated that when all the paper work is in place, the Supervisors will put together a group that will work with the consultants.

Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance – Mr. Laudien stated that the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance should be completed in the current year. He noted that the new ordinance should make a big difference in the amount of parkland or funds in lieu of when a development is being designed. He stated that one of the main differences in having our own ordinance will be that park land must adjoin an open space area so if the next site would be developed in the future, that park land could adjoin the previous one and we could have a larger park instead of several smaller ones. After some discussion, the Board agreed that the new ordinance will be good for the park area.

Turkey Hill Country Classic update – Bill stated he has a meeting scheduled with Turkey Hill this week to discuss the event for 2006. He noted they have been pleased in the past and he is hoping to keep the Turkey Hill Country Classic pretty much the same for this year.

Summer recreation program – Bill stated that he is scheduled to meet with Millersville Boro, February 3, 2006 to discuss the summer program. He noted that they would like to discuss some other recreations also.

55 Alive – Bill noted that Officer Gary Strock is now certified to teach the 55 Alive program and he is hoping that we will be able to increase the number of classes to be held this year.

Manor Township calendar – Bill noted that the Supervisors have not approved a calendar this year.

Manor Township newsletter – Bill stated that there will only be two newsletters for 2006. He is hopeful to have one for April and one to go out in the fall.

Mr. Rand asked several questions about the programs that are being run. He asked if there were any problems with ball fields being scheduled and if there are any plans to start the floor hockey program again. Bill stated that the scheduling of the ball fields has gone very smoothly for the past few years. He noted that the floor hockey has been dropped because there are no facilities available. He did note that the Chestnut Grove Foundation offered to bring Jack Handley in for an afternoon session at the summer playground program.

The Board discussed the fields for Penn Manor and stated that the new building at Manor Middle School will be used to house all the equipment and the building at the Comet Field

facility will have new coaches rooms, better facilities for the teams and locker rooms. There is also to be a training room.

Mr. Rand noted the Christmas tree recycling program and also asked that Mr. Laudien pass his compliments on to the Manor Township Road Crew for the excellent job they did this year during leaf collection.

There being no further business, Mr. Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM. Jeff Roth seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Rand,  
Chairman of the Board

Recording secretary,  
Rita Young

## Park and Recreation Meeting

March 27, 2006

7:30 PM

Chairman Ed Rand called the meeting to order in the Manor Township Municipal Building, 950 West Fairway Drive, Lancaster, PA. He led those in attendance in the pledge to the flag. Roll call was taken.

Members present: Ed Rand, Karla Vinson, Jeff Roth and Brandon Danz.

Members absent: Paul Miller, Mark Korman and Robert McGaw.

Staff & Visitors: Bill Laudien, Barry Smith, Allen Kreider and Rita Young.

Minutes – Jeff Roth made a motion to approve the minutes from the January meeting. Karla Vinson seconded the motion, which carried. Brandon Danz abstained because he was not present at the January meeting.

### Business From the Floor

There was no business from the floor.

### Old Business

There was no old business.

### New Business

Assistant Managers Report – Bill Laudien passed out some maps that highlighted currently existing facilities and proposed Greenway areas. He explained that the Conservancy is in the process of acquiring the Grace Lease property, which adjoins the Creswell Station area. It consists of 25 acres. He noted that Christine Brubaker has been a very big help in making this happen. Bill also explained that the Township is in the process of trying to acquire a U shaped piece of property that runs along the Little Conestoga Creek, behind the Georgetown Hill area and consists of approximately 13 acres. The Township will also be getting land located in the flood plain in the Manor Oaks Development. He noted there is an Advisory Committee that will be working on that.

Land Development and Subdivision Ordinance – Bill stated that there is no update.

Park and Recreation Study – Bill stated that he has no update on the status of the grant that was submitted. He added that they are not able to go any further with the study until they receive a decision about the grant.

Rail Trail – Bill noted that the discussions continue to go on between Manor Township Supervisors, the citizens of Manor Township and the Lancaster County Commissioners. He stated that the problem at this point is who will pay to repair the existing Safe Harbor Bridge that is located on the property. It will be very expensive.

Turkey Hill Country Classic – Bill noted that the date for the event will be May 6<sup>th</sup> and all is going well. He noted that he will be looking for volunteers.

55 Alive – Bill stated that Community Police Officer Gary Strock is now certified to run the 55 Alive program. The next scheduled classes are to be held May 11 –12.

Summer Playground – Bill stated that the playground program will start the first full week after Penn Manor school term is over. Allen Kreider asked the Board if they want Jack Hubley to come and talk at the Summer Playground. He noted that the Chestnut Grove Foundation can provide that

special event if the Board desires. They would need to fill out a form to apply. After some discussion, Jeff Roth made a motion that Bill request to have Jack Hubley make a presentation at the Summer Playground Program, through the Chestnut Grove Foundation. Brandon Danz seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Facilities Update – Bill noted that the parks are open and ready for the new season. He asked the Board if they were interested in taking a tour of the parks and proposed recreation areas this year. After some discussion, the Board agreed that they would like to tour the facilities. Bill noted that he will pick some dates in June and get back to them.

The Board asked Bill several questions about the Summer Playground Program. Bill noted that the program will again be located at Manor Community Park, Millersville Park and Greider Park. The Board asked if there were any plans to try to hold a part of the summer program at one of the elementary schools. Bill noted they have not but it would be a good idea because of bad weather. Jeff Roth stated that he would find out if any school might have available room. Ed Rand noted that he will inquire about using the Millersville Pool for a special event again this year. Jeff Roth noted that he saw where the Penn Manor School District is in the process of purchasing 20 plus acres of ground that joins the Manor Middle School on Charlestown Road.

There being no further business, Jeff Roth made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Brandon Danz seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brandon Danz  
Secretary

Recording secretary  
Rita J. Young

## Park and Recreation Meeting

May 22, 2006

7:30 P M

Chairman Ed Rand called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM, in the Manor Township Municipal Building, 950 W. Fairway Dr, Lancaster, PA. He led those in attendance in the pledge to the flag. Roll call was taken.

Members present: Ed Rand, Mark Korman, Karla Vinson, Paul Miller, Jeff Roth and Brandon Danz. Absent: Bob McGaw.

Staff present: Bill Laudien and Allen Kreider.

Visitors present: There were no visitors present.

Minutes – Jeff Roth made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 27, 2006 meeting as drafted. Paul Miller seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

### Business From the Floor

There was no business from the floor.

### Old Business

There was no old business.

### New Business

Bill Laudien went over the events from the Turkey Hill Country Classic that was held May 6<sup>th</sup>. He noted that the day was a great success again this year with an increase in the number of local people and children that attended. He was pleased with the amount of help they had received and acknowledged the PM Booster Clubs, the Farmland Trust, the Washington Boro Fire Company, the Girls Lacrosse team and the boy's baseball teams for their help.

Bill stated that the 55 Alive classes have been going well and that Gary Strock the Manor Township Community Police Officer has been conducting them. He is hoping to run another one before the end of the year.

Summer Playground – Bill went over the schedule for the 2006 Summer Playground Program. He stated the program is planned to run one extra week this year expanding it to a 9 week program. The price has increased an additional \$10.00 bringing the total cost for a resident child to \$75.00 for the summer and \$95.00 for a non-resident child. Bill stated he plans to have all the information and forms available online this year so parents can have schedules and permission slips even if the child misses it at the playground. Allen Kreider stated that he has talked with the Chestnut Grove Foundation and they have agreed to waive the application for Jack Hubley to present his program at the Summer Playground this year. Mr. Kreider gave Bill the information to contact Mr. Robert Wee to make the arrangements for Mr. Hubley to come to the Summer Program. Bill noted they would make it an “all park event”.

Eshelman Tract - Bill stated that the land along Donerville and Weaver Rd, known as the Eshelman Tract is in the process of being developed. He presented a copy of the layout of lots and available park space, Plan A, showing two small tot lots and one area for open space. He stated the Manor Township Supervisors and Staff have expressed an interest in not having the small tot lots and have one larger park space in the rear of the development so it might be joined

to the next farm for park land if that area were to be developed in the future. Bill stated that when the developer was asked about the change in plans, they did come back with a proposal to eliminate the tot lots, rearrange a few lots and combine the same amount of space from the tot lots with the open space area in the front of the development, Plan B, thus giving one larger park area. The Staff was pleased with the larger area, but it would be located along Donerville Rd and not in the back of the development, however it would still be located where it could be joined to space with the next farm should that farm be developed in the future. Bill stated that when reviewed by the Manor Township Planning Commission, they expressed interest in keeping the small tot lots with the design in Plan A. Bill asked the Board which way they would like to see the parkland being constructed in the development. The Board discussed several reasons why the tot lots would be nice and several reasons why one large area would be desirable. After several options, the Board noted that they would like information on the type of homes and what the need would be for that development before making any final decision. Allen Kreider stated that the Supervisors were disappointed because they had voted to change the zoning on this tract of land to High Density Flex and the Developer did not take advantage of it. Mr. Kreider also stated that he is in favor of the Homeowners Associations being responsible to maintain these small tot lots in developments and not be the expense and responsibility of the Township. After further discussion, the Board decided that they would like to take a look at the area during their park tour and review more information about the development before making a decision.

Blue Rock Heritage Center – Bill presented the layout of the Heritage Center and stated that it is mostly finished. He went over the area and stated that the Township along with the Heritage Staff is in the process of applying for a Grant to construct a floating dock at the Blue Rock Road river access. Manor Township will be paving the parking area but they will be applying for the grant to construct the dock. Mr. Laudien stated that Staff would like a letter of support from the Manor Township Park and Recreation Board. After some discussion, Mr. Korman made a motion to write a letter of support for the construction of the floating dock for the Blue Rock Road River Access area. Jeff Roth seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Park Tour – After some discussion, the Board scheduled the tour for be June 12, 2006 at 4:00 PM, leaving from the Manor Township Municipal Building.

There being no further business, Paul Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM. Brandon Danz seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Brandon Danz  
Secretary

Recording secretary  
Rita J. Young

## Park and Recreation Meeting

September 25, 2006

Time: 7:30 pm

Chairman Ed Rand called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm in the Manor Township Municipal Building, 950 West Fairway Drive, Lancaster, PA. He led those in attendance in the pledge to the flag. Roll call was taken.

Members present: Ed Rand, Paul Miller and Mark Korman.

Members absent: Robert McGaw, Karla Vinson, Jeff Roth and Brandon Danz.

Minutes – Mark Korman made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 28, 2006 meeting. Paul Miller seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

### Business From the Floor

There was no business from the floor.

### Old Business

There was no old business.

### New Business

Mr. Laudien reported that they have decided to move forward with the Park and Recreation Study. He stated that he has been in contact with David Millers and they stated, the park study, needs to be modified and include 15 interviews from key people.

The Springdale Farms park and nature area has had benches put in and the new access walkway. He noted that Mr. Dickert plans on contacting the scouts to see if they would be interested in doing a project to add more color there with some shrub and flower plantings.

The Woods Edge Pavilion construction should begin the last week of September. He noted it should be large enough to hold four picnic tables.

Mr. Laudien stated there was damage in Charlestown Park at the lower ball field this year from the weather. Mr. Dickert is in the process of rebuilding the lower ball diamond and the Little Conestoga Watershed Association has planted 180 trees in the park along the creek to enlarge the riparian buffer area. Mr. Dickert is also looking at changing the slope of the entrance to the park from the Georgetown Hills Development.

2007 Budget Mr. Laudien asked the Board if they have any input for the 2007 Budget. The Board will submit any ideas to Bill in the next few weeks.

The Board discussed Township parkland in the area and where additional land might be available. Mr. Laudien stated that he is hoping the Park and Recreation Study will show a lot of information about that.

Mark Korman asked if we had any information about the Turkey Hill Trail. Mr. Laudien stated that the Township did contribute when the Conservancy purchased the Grace Lease tract, however that is all.

The Board asked if the boat ramp at Blue Rock is completed. Mr. Laudien stated that he is in the process of applying for a grant from the PA Fish Commission, however, the problem is that the land is not owned by the Township. It belongs on one side of the tracks to LASA and the other side by Norfolk Southern.

There being no further business, Mr. Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Korman seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brandon Danz,  
Secretary

Recording secretary  
Rita J. Young

## Park and Recreation Meeting

November 27, 2006

7:30 PM

Jeff Roth called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM in the Manor Township Municipal Building, 950 West Fairway Drive, Lancaster, PA. He led those in attendance in the pledge to the flag. Roll call was taken.

Members present: Karla Vinson, Jeff Roth, Brandon Danz, Paul Miller and Mark Korman.

Members absent: Bob McGaw and Ed Rand.

Bill Laudien noted two vacancies on the Park and Recreation Board starting 2007. He stated that Bob McGaw's term ends 2006 and due to health issues he will not be returning to the Board. He also stated that Mark Korman will be moving out of the Township and will be resigning at the end of the year. Mr. Laudien asked the Board if they knew anyone that was interested in being a member of the Park and Recreation Board and if so, give him the information.

Comprehensive Park and Open Space Study initiated – Bill stated that he has provided the consultant with all the necessary information. He is hoping to assemble a committee in January that would be made up of Board members, the general public, any Supervisors and Staff and then they will review the information that comes back from the consultants. He will also be looking for about 15 key people from sports groups, civic groups, etc. to be interviewed.

Park facilities closed for winter – Bill stated that Mike Dickert has closed the park facilities for the winter. He also noted that construction on the pavilion at the Woods Edge Park went great and is now completed.

Walking paths budgeted for 2007 – Bill noted that the budget for 2007 reflects a walking path to be paved between Springdale Farms Development and the Greenway Park area. The homeowners have been contacted and are aware of the construction. He explained that the path should also aid in access to that area if there would be any emergencies.

Floating dock grant approval – Bill stated they have received approval of the grant for the floating dock to be constructed at the Blue Rock Road landing. He noted that the grant was for \$3000. instead of the \$2,500. that had been requested. The grant also required the parking area to be paved, and they are hoping to complete that and have the dock built for spring use.

Bill stated that the 2007 should be very busy and the committee should have about six months work ahead for the Comprehensive Park and Open Space process. He noted that he has been working on a Township calendar for 2007, which should be ready in February, and if the Board has any suggestion to let him know.

Brandon Danz asked if any thought was ever given to having local business sponsor banners to be put along the fences of the ball diamonds. Bill asked if the money would go to the Township or the ball associations. Brandon was not sure but stated he will inquire to see what other parks do.

Mark Korman asked Bill if they track the web site traffic for the Township site. Bill stated yes, and for this time of year the leaf collection and trash haulers are the most viewed areas.

Mark Korman stated that he appreciated the privilege to serve on this Board for Manor Township. He noted that he is only leaving because he is moving out of the Township and is no long eligible to be a member of the Board. Bill thanked Mark for serving and stated that he, along with the Board will be sorry to loose him as a member.

There being no further business, Paul Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM. Mark Korman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Brandon Danz  
Secretary

Recording secretary  
Rita J. Young