

## Minutes

OCTOBER 17, 2005

President Tom Gruver called the meeting to order with 4 board members present and 20 members present.

Treasurers Report- Motion to approve made by Wayne Hulgren, seconded by Jon Seckinger.-Motion carried.

Minutes Report- Motion to approve made by Jon Seckinger, seconded by Leon Stull-  
. Motion carried.

### Correspondence-

1. We received a thank you note from the DeFilece Family for flowers sent .
2. We received a thank you note from Becky and Danny Benack for our donation and our support and friendship during the difficult time of Wally's untimely passing.
3. We received a thank you letter from the Children's Home of Easton for our \$500 donation toward their summer program.

Comments from the floor- None

## SPORTS REPORTS

### Baseball-No Report

Cheering- Billie Weiss reported that the cheering banquet will take place at the Eagles on Nov. 7th. The uniform return for the flag squad is on Nov. 24th. The rest of the squads will return their uniforms after the playoffs. She introduced Linda Gruver and Dana Guffy to the A.A. They are being nominated for cheering commissioners.

Football- Fran Tone reported that the season is going well. 3 teams qualified for playoffs. There may be a home playoff game. He will contact Wayne about the snack bars if there is a game at Forks..

Soccer- Jon Seckinger and Cary Salkin reported that they held the Easton Festival Tournament at Forks this past weekend. It had been rained out the week before. They also asked permission to borrow the township tent for the Blue Mt. Tournament on Nov. 5th at Moore Township.

Wrestling- Joe Veres reported that the out of town participants in the wrestling program came before the Rec board and it went very well. The team will start practicing on Nov. 7th. There were some weight changes at the League meeting.

Basketball- Don Miller reported that St. Ann's and the Little Hurricanes will be added to the CBL league this year. The league is still dealing with the fight that happened at one of the playoff games last year. They will take action about this matter at the next league meeting.

Lacrosse- Scott Holland reported that he is still waiting to hear from two closer leagues ( Jersey and Macungie). Bethlehem Twp. Has started a program and if they form a league, he would like to join that one.

Softball- Leon Stull reported that helmets and bats were cut out of his budget. He feels that those items are needed. The uniform shirts for the 9 and 10 year olds were also cut. He would like to meet with Rick because he feels too many cuts were made to his budget.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Dance- Wayne Hultgren reported that everything is set for the dance this Friday. John O'Niell will represent football.

Snack Bar-Wayne Hultgren reported that everything is going fine. The township will take care of the ice machines. The contract with Pepsi is up. Wayne will make an appointment with Coke and Pepsi about a new contract. Hopefully one of them will offer to donate a new scoreboard. The scoreboard needs to be replaced.

Registrations- Jerry Stefanelli reported that he and Phyllis picked up the winter signups this past Sat.. There were only about 100 signups for both sports. The new way does not seem to be working. Do we want to have late signups? Yes- we will extend them until Oct. 31st. The football and soccer coaches are going to remind their players about winter signups. Most of the out of township participants have gone to a rec board meeting to get permission to participate in winter sports. This rule was put in effect for all out of town participants. All must attend a rec board meeting for permission to participate.

Scholarship- Colleen Ziegenhorn reported that she will update the forms and send them out to the schools by Jan.

Background Checks- Ron Barry reported that it is going well.

Rec Board- No report

#### Old Business:

1. Dan Martyak reported that he spoke to Ed Adamko and Ed is going to meet with Maz about the web site .Ed' s email address will be given out at the Nov. 21st meeting.

2. Dan Martyak proposed a change to our Bylaws. This change was read, and will be read at the Oct. meeting and then voted on at the Nov. meeting. The proposal is to change:

Article XVII- Children (players) Now reads:

Section 2. Children from outside of Forks Township may participate in F.T.A.A. programs in accordance with the guidelines set forth by the Forks Township Recreation Board and current leagues.

To: Article XVII- Children (players)

Section 2. F.T.A.A. Sports are for Forks Township Residents. Children from outside of Forks Township may request to participate in F.T.A.A. programs from the Forks Township Recreation Board.

#### New Business

1. Nancy Bonafonti that the new guidelines for forming baseball teams and allstar teams is done. The feedback form will go to the commissioner . He will also receive a copy of the parent and coaches signed code of conduct forms. Some other suggestions were:

A. Have coaches attend coaching clinics- may be the FTAA or baseball budget could make funds available for this.

B. Have the allstar teams play practice games against outside organizations on Sundays.

2. Dan Martyak has the call list from the front desk. It needs to be updated.

3. Dan met with the township on Oct. 12th Here are some of the items that were discussed:

A. Baseball , Softball, and Lacrosse need to meet to map out the existing fields. There will be 2 new fields put in at the wrestling complex park (near the airport).This meeting is set for Monday, Nov. 21st at 7:00 in the community center. Bob Dilts and Bob Mumbaur ( they line all the fields) will be asked to attend.

B.The township is working on 3 programs: A sign on Zucksville Rd. , lighting in the parking lots and fields, and bathrooms at the Meco Rd. field and the wrestling complex fields. The bathroom project will cost \$120,000. They have asked for \$30,000 from the FTAA. The FTAA does not have the monies- we have an escrow account that is in effect for the “family fee”.This has to be discussed further. The township is invited to attend our meetings.

4. Don Miller reported that commissioners can meet with Rick again about their budgets.

5.Don has the township’s insurance policy that Joe Veres needs for the wrestling league.

6. Tom Gruver asked for a show of hands about members attending the annual FTAA Christmas dinner. It’s a go! Wayne will look into making the reservation.

7. Nominations were held for the board and sports ( except basketball and wrestling-they are held in the spring). The following people were nominated:

Board

President- Tom Gruver

Vice President- Dan Martyak

Treasurer- Jerry Stefanelli

Secretary- Colleen Ziegenhorn

Sports:

Baseball- Tom Gruver

Cheering- Dana Guffy and Linda Gruver

Football- Fran Tone

Lacrosse- Scott Holland

Soccer- Greg Russell and Tin Woodard

Softball- Leon Stull

Voting will take place at the Nov. 21st meeting.

8.Dan Martyak reported that the township software program is pre-loaded. It is still in the preview stage. For example, if you want a specific requirement added to signup forms, e-mail it to Dan. - Leon would like a coaches volunteer section. This may be up and running by Jan. 1st.

Motion to adjourn was made by Steve Semanek and seconded by Leon Stull.

Respectfully Submitted  
Colleen Ziegenhorn