Hamiltonban Township Recreation & Parks Commission

23 Carrolls Tract Road, Fairfield, PA 17320 Regular Meeting Minutes June 8, 2011

Members Present: Cathy Jo Lehmer, Chairman; David Jones, Vice Chairman, Doreen Premo, Secretary; Juanita Larmer, Treasurer; Alan Patterson; and Kris Feldmeyer. There was a quorum.

Others Present: Coleen Reamer, Hamiltonban Township Supervisor, Mr. Alex Kessel, Fairfield Recreation & Parks Liaison, and Sara Kipp, LCAC, guest speaker.

Cathy Jo Lehmer, Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

Approval of Agenda: There were no changes to the agenda. Alan Patterson motioned to approve the agenda, David Jones seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Chairman Lehmer motioned to approve the May 11, 2011 minutes. Juanita Larmer motioned to approve the minutes as written. David Jones seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Secretary Premo will send the minutes to the Webmaster.

Public Comment: None.

Old Business: Secretary Premo commented that she had contacted Sarah Kipp from the Land Conservancy of Adams County to attend the meeting.

Secretary Premo noted that she had connected to the South Mountain Partnership Webinar on DCNR mini-grants at home, from 2 to 3 PM on May 25. The application deadline is July 31. Kim Williams from the South Mountain Partnership is willing to review our draft application and give helpful comments.

Secretary Premo reminded everyone that the Official Map is on hold until the Fall when Shippensburg University is back in session as we will be contacting the students to help with this map as an intern project. Kris stated that we need to figure out our goals, resources, process to use to develop our goals, how we want to use the map, and also to finish our inventory of historical sites. He will produce a report as guidance.

Treasurer's Report: Juanita Larmer reported that on May 1, 2011 we had a beginning balance of \$469 in the RPC account. There were no new donations nor were there any new expenses for the month for an ending balance of \$469. The summary report and the transaction report will be filed in the official RPC records book. Cathy Jo Lehmer motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report, Doreen Premo seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business: We welcomed Sarah Kipp to our meeting. We briefly discussed the Joint Recreation Plan that we formed with Fairfield and stated that Mr. Alex Kessel was the Liaison with Fairfield, that we would be working with student interns from Shippensburg State University to complete the Official Map as a means to help protect preserved greenways as well as any important historical elements that tie in to our greenspaces. Also, the map would enable the Township to negotiate with a developer when purchasing certain properties to give us easements for hiking trails and other recreational purposes. It was mentioned that our reason for inviting Sarah to our meeting is that we would appreciate any guidance she could give us in approaching residents, how land easements were acquired, and what benefits the landowner could receive to convince them to agree to an easement.

We discussed the application – Coleen informed us that I (the secretary) could get the land appraisal information from the Township Secretary and use her time as part of the match for funding.

Public Comment: None.

Township Meetings: The following public meetings will be held at the Township Office at 23 Carrolls Tract Rd. at the local prevailing time of 7:00 PM unless otherwise noted.

- A. Planning Commission June 28, 2011.
- B. BOS Workshop June 30, 2011.
- C. BOS Regular July 5, 2011.
- D. Recreation and Parks Regular July 13, 2011.

Other Meetings/Events.

Kick-off Meeting for Feasibility Study of Regional Recreation Programs – 6:30 pm, June 13, 2011, Fairfield Borough Hall. Sponsored by Bill Chain, FASD.

There was a brief discussion of this meeting and the Peer to Peer Study that will be conducted. Supervisor Reamer will attend for the Board, and Secretary Premo will represent the RPC. All members are welcome to attend.

Adjourn: Juanita Larmer motioned to adjourn the meeting, and David Jones seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:26 PM.

Doreen C. Premo, Secretary