

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
RECREATION COMMISSION
REORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 13, 2009**

Adequate notice of this meeting, in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act, has been given by posting one copy of the Notice of Meeting in the Washington Township Administrative office, by making copies to the "Express Times" and "Star Gazette," and to the municipal clerk in Washington Township.

N. Godfrey, WTRC Administrator, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ATTENDEES

R. Berrie, D. Detrick, S. Fritts, W. Godfrey, D. Schott, B. Jeffries, J. Miller. Committeeman B. Mueller, WTRC Administrator, N. Godfrey and DPW Park Foreman, J. Cooper was also present.

2009 Reorganization of the Washington Township Recreation Commission - Appointments

N. Godfrey opened the floor to nominations for Chairman.

S. Fritts made a motion to nominate M. Kries as Chairman for 2009, seconded by D. Schott. All in favor.

In the absence of M. Kries, N. Godfrey asked for nominations for Vice Chairman.

S. Fritts made a motion to nominate W. Godfrey as Vice Chairman for 2009, seconded by D. Schott. All in favor.

In the absence of M. Kries, N. Godfrey asked for nominations for Treasurer

S. Fritts made a motion to nominate R. Berrie as Treasurer for 2009, seconded by D. Schott. All in favor.

At this time, N. Godfrey turned the floor over to Vice Chairman, W. Godfrey

MEADOW BREEZE PARK

J. Cooper reported that the Meadow Breeze Park sign on the Meadow Breeze Lane side was broken, it should be repaired soon.

J. Cooper reported that just today P. deBoer was notified by the state that due to state budget cuts, our grant request for the walking paths has been denied.

Ice Skating – the canal is frozen, but if someone wants to skate on it they will need to shovel the snow off of it. Right now, with the amount of snow we've had lately, there is not enough DPW manpower available to do so.

OLD BUSINESS

Volunteer Life Time Achievement Award – D. Detrick reported that the Committee formed last month has been able to recruit more residents interested in doing this. D. Detrick requested to use the Park & Recreation Building's meeting room on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 at 7:00 in order to hold the first meeting of the Committee.

FINANCIAL & BUDGET REVIEW – No new activity.

ACTIVE AREAS

R. Kunzman, WTYA Baseball Director, said that they were interested in putting up an electronic scoreboard on D1 and asked if the WTRC would consider splitting the cost with them. N. Godfrey said that due to impending budget cuts that she was expecting the Township Committee to inflict on all departments and commissions/committees she did not feel this was the year the WTRC would be able to do so. We have one big expense priority, which is the weather proofing of the pavilion, at an estimated cost of \$10,000 – \$15,000.

If the WTYA is willing to pay for the board and take care of ALL the necessary labor we would have no

problem with them putting one in. J. Cooper mentioned that the location of where they would want to install it would also need DEP approval, because it would be located within the wetland areas. R. Kunzman said that he did not realize all of the DEP rules & regulations that this would involve, so he would take it back to the drawing board.

PASSIVE AREAS – No new activity

NEW BUSINESS

1. Scheduling WTRC Members for Attending Township Committee Meetings – Members present picked what months they may be available to attend.
2. Spring Field Scheduling Meeting Dates
 - 2/13/09 – Deadline for paperwork reserving fields to be turned into N. Godfrey
 - 2/24/09 - 7:00 p.m. Sub-Committee Meeting to review field request
 - 3/10/09 – 7:00 p.m. Field Scheduling Meeting with all persons requesting field usage for spring 2009 present.

N. Godfrey will notify all interested parties of the field scheduling meeting date.

Having no further business to discuss a motion was made by D. Schott, seconded by R. Berrie to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

N. Godfrey
WTRC Administrator