

**RECREATION PLANNING BOARD MINUTES PORTER TOWNSHIP  
MARCH 7TH 2016**

Attendance: Kevin Frank, Mike Champion, Rich Brungard, Carol Colucci, Nancy Chavak and reporter Jim Runkle

The meeting began at 8:05PM following the supervisors meeting. The minutes from the December meeting were reviewed and approved. This is the first meeting of 2016.

At the Supervisors meeting March 7<sup>th</sup> the supervisors adopted a Recreation Board Ordinance to establishing the authority and restrictions on power of the Board. Ordinance#3-7-2016.

The ordinance states a chairman and a secretary must be nominated each year. On a 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Rich and a second by Carol motion passed to nominate Kevin Frank for Board chairman. On a 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Kevin and a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike motion passed to nominate Carol to be secretary.

Old business was an update on the Volleyball pit. Rich reported the poles are cemented in the ground and had about 2 loads of sand delivered last fall. Three more loads are needed. Photos of all the improvements before and after were shared and compared.

Rich reported the gate was installed last fall but does not have a lock yet. G's Welding will get to it as soon as he can. Quotes were given for a message board that was discussed last year and tabled. Kevin replied he will check with the ball teams that use the fields for a donation towards the board cost.

New Business was quotes for baby swings requested last year. All agreed there is nothing for babies. On a 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Mike and a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kevin motion passed to order and install baby swings for the cost of \$1,155.00. a completed set with 2 swings from Playworld plus shipping.

There was a discussion on the existing equipment aging. Kevin made a motion to replace the sand digger. Carol stated it was \$782.00 from Playworld also. A 2<sup>nd</sup> motion was made by Rich to order and install a new digger.

Carol presented a sign for the walking trail stating distance, pedestrian traffic only, hours, Dusk to Dawn , use at your own risk. Need to add "No Winter maintenance". Brownies Signs gave a quote of \$50. each. It was agreed to order three, one for each entrance.

A representative from Correctional Industries stopped at the office to introduce low cost labor by Rockview inmates. She gave quotes on a gazebos and picnic tables etc. Carol presented photos of roof top tables at Riverview Park Woodward Twp. All agreed roof top tables would be more practical then the gazebos. Carol to get quote.

There was a discussion about requesting the addition land extended from the park owned by the Fish Hatchery. It was suggested to draft a letter requesting ownership.

A skid loader is needed to complete the trail. It was suggested to ask KW which he has offered the equipment needed at no cost.

A finance report was given. A final balance in the Act 13 account designated for the Park is \$37,022.00. Expenses for 2015 park improvements were \$24,790.30.

Township Secretary /Treasurer

Carol Colucci

