

SUMMIT TOWNSHIP RECREATION PLANNING COMMITTEE

July 16, 2007

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kurt Rudolph, Chairman; Rick Wilson, Township Board Liaison; Natalie Stopyak, Planning Commission Liaison; Marilyn Waite, Michael Tallman, Allan Hooper and John Worden, Summit Township Zoning Administrator.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by K. Rudolph, Chairman, on Monday, July 16, 2007 at 7:03 p.m. in the Township Hall meeting room at 2121 Ferguson Road.

A motion was made by K. Rudolph, Chairman, supported by M. Tallman, to approve the May 21, 2007 minutes as written. The motion was carried unanimously.

J. Worden advised the committee of the Falling Water Trail Advisory Board meeting being held Tuesday, July 17, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Cascades Starter House. Committee member R. Wilson will be attending this meeting.

Summit Township Recreation Plan Proposal from Region 2 Planning Commission

Region 2 Principal Planner, Grant Bauman, reviewed a three (3) Chapter, and Appendixes, Recreation Plan Proposal document that he had given to the committee. This document is a quantum leap forward in mapping graphics, allowing a more realistic view of township mapping information.

Chapter One featured topics of:

Local Government Units and the scope of the survey, four (4) mile buffer
Regional Locations – showing where Summit Township fits into the highway network

Appendix A featured topics of:

Population Summary, Population Growth, Population Projections, Age and Sex of Population, Household and Family Compositions, Income

A. Hooper asked G. Bauman for more Health related information to be placed in this section of the document and asked him to contact the Health Department to obtain the information.

K. Rudolph, Chairman, also suggested Grant contact the Fitness Council.

Chapter Two featured topics on the Townships Administrative Structure:

Authorization, Organization Structure, Source of Funding, Likely Sources for Grants, Parks and Recreation Budgeting, Relationship with other public agencies, school districts

J. Worden pointed out a spelling error on the map found on page 2-3

G. Bauman thanked him for finding this error and indicated he would correct it.

K. Rudolph, Chairman, asked G. Bauman to include Jackson Community College on the map found on page 2-5.

Chapter Three featured topics of:

Parks and Recreation Facilities and Programming, Map of Local Recreation Facilities, Colleges in the four (4) mile study area, Local and Public Parks, Private recreation facilities and other private facilities that are open to the general public, Mail trails and bike routes available in Summit township, Trails, Acreage standards, types of parks, grant-assisted parks and recreation facilities, barrier free access analysis, recreational programming and resource inventory, maps of lakes, rivers, wet lands, potential greenways and future land use.

G. Bauman remarked that the maps found on page 3-3 will be redone to make them a bit more readable by use of labeling the facilities named on page 3-2.

K. Rudolph, Chairman, asked G. Bauman to include Jackson Community College on the map found on page 3-3.

M. Tallman questioned why Wild Life Protection Unlimited was shown on the map on page 3-5.

J. Worden asked G. Bauman to remove Wild Life Protection Unlimited from the map on page 3-5.

N. Stopyak indicated the Jackson Country Club has membership only access.

G. Bauman will remove the Wild Life Protection Unlimited and the Jackson Country Club.

K. Rudolph, Chairman asked G. Bauman to include the Rando Activity Center (RAC) to page 3-7.

R. Wilson asked G. Bauman to include Cooper Towns Softball diamonds to page 3-7.

J. Worden asked G. Bauman to incorporate the maps provided by the Fitness Council and to add to bike path system on McDevitt East to the pages 3-8 and/or 3-9.

A. Hooper questioned if the township is providing the type(s) of recreation that is being requested by the people of the township. He mentioned adequate playground facility like Bloomfield Park and questioned if the newly constructed subdivisions are incorporating these elements into their design.

G. Bauman will add the text: "New housing developments are required to have greenspace". He will also add a need for parks south of Wickwire Road.

G. Bauman thanked the committee for reviewing the document page by page with him and indicated he would make all the requested changes/additions.

Further discussion on the survey took place. The committee will explore putting the survey on the township website with advertising on J17 and Channel 21. The survey will be single page and no more than ten (10) questions.

A motion was made by K. Rudolph, Chairman, supported by M. White, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: September 17, 2007

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Hubbell, Recording Secretary