

East Coventry Township  
Park and Rec. Committee meeting  
March 25, 2008

President of Park and Rec. Karen Nocella brought the meeting to order.

In attendance:

Karen Nocella, Bruce Stephens, Micheal Laporta, Kathy Bickle  
Walt Woessner

**Open Space Discussion:**

There was a discussion on our need for an ordinance in our township that clarifies in writing 'Open Space' and this should be sent to the Board of Supervisors, BOS. Park and Rec would like to start a budget for Open Space and this should be addressed to the BOS. We need to find or create an ordinance on how the 'Open Space' funds that have been acquired from developers, should be used and the time line in which these funds should be used. If the funds are not used in the allotted times will the funds or should the funds go back to the developer?

Pam Brown, French Creek and Pickering Land Trust, will help guide us with the process of setting up 'Open Space' account. All information will be given to the BOS.

Walt Woessner explained what a 'Sanctuary' is.

**Hidden Acres:**

We discussed 'Hidden Acres'. Where the trail is going to be

**Maack Property update.**

Michael Gambone has agreed to the appraisal price. The Dept. Of Conservation and Natural Resources will provide the majority of the funds through a grant. Chester County grant program is contributing and East Coventry Township will need to contribute.

**Northern Federation meeting:**

Rosemarie Miller and Harold Kulp will attend the Northern Federation meeting on March 27<sup>th</sup>. The discussion will be about all the neighboring townships and their open space and parks. We discussed having a rep from our Park and Rec. committee attend.

**Playground Equipment:**

The playground equipment on the 5-12 lot came in colors that we did not choose. We are searching for aesthetically appealing colors. Primary colors are of choice. The catalog pictures may not be true to color.

On the 2-5 tot lot we had specified three swings. We see only two. What happened to the third swing?

**Painter's Crossing Plan:**

Located at Cedarville and Ellis Woods Roads. One hundred and twelve townhouses in groups of six are proposed. There is a total of 42 acres, 23 acres are open space. 6.4 active recreation spaces are proposed. An idea and question was asked about tennis courts in open space at Painter's Crossing.

**Heather Glen:**

E.C. Park and Rec.is in discussion with the developer of 'Heather Glen". We would like to have a trail connect 'Painters Crossing' and 'Heather Glen'. We would like open space dedicated to the township.

**Ridge Field Estates:**

Park and Rec is willing to accept funds from the developer in lieu of open space in this development so we can purchase other open space/ trails. We need to clarify with the BOS on the use of funds that have been acquired from developers in lieu of open space.

**ATV dangerous situation:**

It was brought to our attention that within our township there are ATV's creating havoc down on Sanatoga Road near Frick's Locke. The police cannot catch these people. What can be done about this.

**Next agenda:**

1. Acquiring an ordinance for Open Space funds. What information do we need from the BOS? We would like funds from the annual budget set aside for the Open Space plan / account.
2. Clarification on an ordinance of a fee in lieu of open space.
3. Review the colors of the signs for the township building park.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Leo-Ciacci