

**West Manchester Township  
Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes  
Wednesday, October 16, 2024**

**Members Present:** Jenn Bennett, Tom Wolfgang, Ron Stare, Dylan Smith, Lisa Krout, Charlie Jacobs  
**Delegates Present:** Denise Drais  
**School Board Liaison:** Jeanne Herman  
**Lions Representative:** Denise Drais  
**Parks & Rec Staff:** Lori Trimmer & Kristi Swartz  
**Guest:** Brandy Andrews

The meeting was called to order by Jenn Bennett at 6:00 at the West Manchester Township Building. Tom Wolfgang made a motion to approve the August 21, 2024 minutes. Ron Stare offered a second to the motion.

**Unfinished Business:** Lori reviewed the following upcoming activities, events, programs

- . Senior Bingo at Shiloh Fire Co – Nov. 12
- . Senior Safe Driving – October 7 & 9, from 9:00-1:00
- . Carving Class with Tom Wolfgang – October 1, 8, 15
- . Truck Touch – October 5 – awesome, best attendance for this event. Cliff said they raised \$1600 on the poster contest, \$1000 in food and Cocoa was there!
- . Happy Trails Food Event – August 29 – successful. Event was moved inside due to weather.

**Reports:**

- A. Recreation Director Report - Lori shared the August and September 2024 reports. There were no questions asked by the Committee.
- B. School Board Liaison's Report - Jeanne Herman and Lori have been talking prior to this meeting. Jeanne presented the following: The School Board is asking how costs can be cut and save tax payers money. They are postponing Trimmer Field and changing where softball would be played. They are looking for a partnership with WMT. They are looking at the softball field on Sunset Lane and maybe Derry Park. There are concerns about PIAA standards. There are pluses for it to be at Sunset Lane Softball Field. They need to look at bleachers, fences, dug outs, press box, walkways, score board, refreshment stand.

Tom Wolfgang made a motion to explore the Sunset Lane Softball Field as the location, The West York School Board would make improvements and then we iron out the details to make the field acceptable to the PIAA standards for Spring 2026. Ron Stare offered a second to the motion.

**New Business:**

- A. WYSD expressed interest in using Sunset Lane Softball Field – (see info above with Jeanne Herman.)
- B. 2025 Budget (Approval Needed) – Ron Stare made a motion to approve the General and Capital Budget for 2025. Tom Wolfgang offered a second to the motion.
- C. Marcellus Grant Fund Application for Bennett Williams Court Renovations (2025)
- D. Speak Easy Murder Mystery – Saturday, November 9 – lost sponsor so may sell less tickets.
- E. Trick or Treat in WMT – October 31 – 6:00-8:00
- F. Pancakes with Santa – December 14
- G. Holiday Bingo for Seniors – December 19 (1:00-3:00) - \$8.00
- H. Gift Card Bingo – Sunday, March 23, 2025 – Tickets will go on sale after the beginning of the year.
- I. Winter 2025 Newsletter – work in progress

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. Capital Improvements Status**

- Bennett Williams – New Pavilion Roof (Completed)
- Replace Park Rule Signs at all Parks (Completed)
- . Sunset Lane – Replace T-111 Siding on Pavilion (Shiloh Lions) – Lumber was purchased. (In Progress)
- . Sunset Lane – Upgrade Two Restrooms (Completed)
- . Broad Street – Upgrade Backstop and Fencing (Completed)
- . Repair Bridge at Loman (Completed)
- . Remove Various Dead Trees in Parks (Completed)

### **Open Floor Discussion:**

- A. Next RAC Meeting – Wednesday, December 18, 2024 at 6:00 – The meeting will be held at the Township Building. Normally this meeting is used as a Holiday Meeting and spouses are invited. Since we may have information on the Softball Field from WYASD, we decided to get pizzas and have the meeting at the township office.
- B. Next BOS Meeting – Thursday, October 24, 2024 at 7:00 PM.