



Mt. Gretna Campmeeting Association

Tuesday, 06/16/2009

The regular monthly meeting of the Mt. Gretna Campmeeting Association Board of Managers was held on June 16 in the United Methodist Church, Mt. Gretna, PA. Mr. Hurst called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Mr. Hurst opened the meeting with a moment of silence.

Members present were:

Mr. Mike Allwein
Mrs. Mary Blackburn
Mrs. Stephanie Bost
Mr. Mel Burkholder
Mr. Bruce Gettle
Mr. Jeff Hurst
Mr. Mervin Lentz
Mr. Lynn Reisinger
Mr. George Resh

Members excused were:

Mr. Jim Dwyer
Ms. Julie Lynch

Introduction of Guests / Community Comments

Guests at June's meeting included: Bruce Shaeffer and his son, Doug Lorenzen, Ben Wiley and Robin May.

- Mr. Hurst thanked all who helped with the Charter & By-Laws question/answer meeting held on the 15th.
- An e-mail from a homeowner to the Board stated their pleasure at seeing the horse and carriage on the Campmeeting grounds again as part of its tour rides.
- Another e-mail thanked the Campmeeting for the picnic area down near the playground.
- Mr. Shaeffer informed the Board that he is concerned about Met-Ed support wires digging into the trees. He has been in contact with Met-Ed with regard to this issue and has kept in contact with Mr. Lentz as well. He asked the Board if it would suit them for him to pursue this concern with Met-Ed. The Board gladly accepted his offer to help and to continue to coordinate with Mr. Lentz
- Mr. Shaeffer had another concern about fire company access to homes. The installation of an air conditioning unit on a neighboring cottage has blocked fire hose access. Mr. Lentz stated that the Lebanon County Planning Department said there is nothing they can do about this addition since it is not an addition to the structure of the home. This issue is being referred to the Buildings and Grounds Committee who will review and then possibly seek legal counsel.
- Mr. Shaeffer also asked if proxy votes were available for homeowners. He was informed that while proxy votes were not available, absentee ballots were for the annual meeting.
- Robin May suggested that quiet hour notifications be posted around the Campmeeting. The Board agreed that this would be beneficial.

Approval of Minutes - Board of Managers Meeting May, 2009

The May 2009 minutes were unanimously accepted via e-mail prior to June's meeting.

Treasurer's Report

In the absence of the Treasurer, the financial report was given by the Office Manager.

There were no unusual items either in receipts or expenses. Delinquent accounts are virtually gone at this time.

In an attempt to eliminate the necessity to sign checks twice a month, we will be moving to direct deposit for payroll. We will also contact any vendors who have terms of less than 30 days to request a lengthening of



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payment terms.

Committee Reports

- A. Buildings and Grounds Committee - Merv Lentz
All matters are reported under the Superintendent's report.
- B. Communications Committee – Stephanie Bost
The newsletter was delivered to the community. The next one will be issued towards the end of the summer.
- C. Community Activities Committee – Mike Allwein
The picnic is planned for July 25, the day of the annual meeting and the Big Band concert. Assignments will be handed out next month.
The Heritage Festival is moving along as scheduled. Posters are being put up around the community.
- D. Finance Committee – Jim Dwyer
No meeting – nothing to report.
- C. Nominating Committee – Bruce Gettle
Bruce nominated Robin May and Judy Weimer to sit on the Nominating Committee. Seconded by Mrs. Blackburn, the motion was passed.
There are 4 members of the Board who are coming up for re-election.
- D. Property Purchase/Orientation Committee – Merv Lentz
The Batisti family bought 205 Markwood from Scott Miller.
- E. Tabernacle Association –Mary Blackburn
The audit of the Tabernacle Association records was completed. A copy was given to the Board for its files.
- F. Ad-Hoc: By-Laws Review Committee – Mike Allwein
Based on questions at the community review meeting on the 15th of June, the Board made the following changes to the By-Laws.
1. Article 4, Section 5 of the By-Laws, remove “(including in the case of officers and employees, pensions, retirement pay and the cost of providing coverage under group life, accident, disability, health and medical insurance contracts, and directors’ and officers’ liability insurance).”
 2. Article 6, Section 12 of the By-Laws, change “Directors” to “Managers”
 3. Article 6, Section 20 part b of the By-Laws, after the phrase “may be removed from office” add the following “for not upholding their duties or the ideals of the Campmeeting as set forth in the Charter”
 4. Article 10, Section 7, change “Trustee” to “Manager”.
- The first readings of these changes was passed by the Board with one Board member giving a negative vote.
- G. Ad-Hoc: Personnel Committee – Julie Lynch
No meeting, nothing to report.
- H. Ad-Hoc: Playground Committee – Stephanie Bost
The fundraisers for the playground were very successful. Even with the bad weather for the concert on Friday evening, the concert was very well received. There was beautiful weather for the carnival on Saturday with an outstanding turnout. Both these events will be repeated next year. The committee is continuing to work on a sponsorship program for playground equipment components. In addition, major Campmeeting vendors have been contacted to request donations towards the playground improvement effort. A financial report for the weekend fundraiser will be given at the next month's meeting.



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Old Business

- None

New Business

- Brad Kleinfelter applied to rent the Tabernacle on August 15, 2009 for a wedding. Application was approved.

Report of the Superintendent - Mr. Lentz

- Work on landscaping the entrance by the library has been completed.
- In a May meeting with Attorney Harlan, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Hurst and Mr. Lentz was informed that the Campmeeting may be able to use nuisance laws to force homeowners to fix up derelict properties if trying to solve the problems at the Township level was not bringing a satisfactory solution. The consensus of the Board is to pursue this with an attorney.
- The Bosts on Batdorf requested a building permit to put an addition on their home. The work is to begin in July and may need to continue three days into quiet time. On a motion introduced by Mr. Lentz and seconded by Mrs. Blackburn was passed by the Board.
- The top of the eighteen concrete pillars at Campmeeting entrances are to be given a new coat of paint.
- The method of granting permission to homeowners to pave and maintain Campmeeting property next to their residences was discussed. This discussion is being tabled for later.
- Mr. Fortna has built a fence on Campmeeting property. The B&G Committee recommends that a letter be sent to him stating the fence must be removed. If it is not, legal proceedings should be started. The Board approved this recommendation.
- Skyline has recommended no spraying for gypsy moths this year as it is not necessary.
- Mr. Lentz recommends that the helium tank rented for the playground fundraiser be paid for by the Campmeeting rather than the playground fundraiser.

Communications/Announcement

1. The next regular meeting will be held July 21, 2009 7:00 pm.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm on a motion by Mr. Lentz seconded by Mr. Resh.