The Huntingdon Borough Parks, Recreation & Public Property Committee meeting was held in the Borough Conference Room, 530 Washington Street, Huntingdon, PA 16652.

Members present were President James Bair, Vice-President David Fortson, Councilman Robert Jackson, Councilman David Quarry, Councilwoman Dee Dee Brown, Councilwoman Jennifer Powell, Borough Solicitor Richard Wilson, Mayor Thomas Yoder, Chief of Police Charles Streightiff, Borough Manager Chris Stevens and Borough Secretary Richard King.

Guest present were Joseph Thompson and Corinne Puglisi Leonard.

The Parks, Recreation & Public Property Committee meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Chairman David Fortson.

Chairman David Fortson recognized the guest present and ask for their comments.

Corinne Puglisi Leonard said she was there to request a handicap parking place and sign be placed by her place of residence on Washington Street.

Corinne Puglisi Leonard said she has all of the proper documentation for being handicap.

Borough Manager Chris Stevens said there are legal requirements that we need to follow.

President James Bair said there are not enough parking places in the borough to make another handicap parking place.

Mayor Thomas Yoder said there is a handicap parking place by the Medicine Shop already.

Chairman David Fortson said there are steps that we need to follow such as space size and ordinance changes.

Corinne Puglisi Leonard said she did not know there was a handicap parking place on her block already.

Chairman David Fortson called on the Parks Commission report.

Councilman Robert Jackson said they did not have enough for a meeting last night but said they are looking at adding another member to this committee.

Chairman David Fortson called on the Borough Manager’s report.

Chris Stevens said that the Maintenance Department is preparing to install the equipment at the Portstown Park.

Chris Stevens said that Justin Kann is going to redo the basketball courts at Weaver Park, free of charge.

Chris Stevens said they will be closing in the dugouts at the ballfield.

Chris Stevens said the High School Seniors repainted the food booth and announcer stand.

Chris Stevens said we will be installing conduit and running new wire to the scoreboard.

Chairman David Fortson called on the Mayor’s report.

Thomas Yoder had nothing to report on.

Chairman David Fortson called on old business.

Councilman Robert Jackson ask if we were going to refurbish the skate park.

Chairman David Fortson said this will be done when we have funding available.

Councilwoman Jennifer Powell ask if we were going to get the Little Free Library at Bryan Park.

Joseph Thompson said that Jill Palmer said there was a delay of material and she will be in touch.

Corinne Puglisi Leonard ask about the Tenant – Landlord Ordinance.

President James Bair said she will need to come to the Public Safety Committee meeting.

Chairman David Fortson told Councilwoman Dee Dee Brown that she had done a fantastic job at the Fireman’s Park.

Councilwoman Dee Dee Brown said the Fireman’s Monument was funded by the American Legion and bricks from hospital hill was used. Dee Dee said that Kenny Evans did the work of building this.

Chairman David Fortson called on new business.

Councilman Robert Jackson said it is time to do something to improve the dog park.

Councilman Robert Jackson said that he has spoken to the Humane Society about doing an event there at the dog park.

Councilman Robert Jackson said there needs to be activities at the dog park and it is time to invest some money into it to attract dog owners to come there.

Councilwoman Dee Dee Brown ask Councilman Robert Jackson if the Parks Commission was doing anything to help raise funds.

Councilwoman Jennifer Powell said there needs to be more signs showing where to go to the dog park.

Corinne Puglisi Leonard said you could use the signs in the borough saying this is a 10-minute walk to the dog park.

Councilman Robert Jackson said we could have brochures and have the visitor’s bureau include this in their brochures.

Executive Session was not called for.

After no further business, the Parks, Recreation and Public Property Committee meeting was adjourned at 5:32 PM.

Minutes submitted by,

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