

M I N U T E S  
SHALER TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL & LAND USE COMMITTEE MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:30 p.m. by Commissioner McElhone. He announced that the meeting was being taped and asked the Secretary to call the roll as follows:

PRESENT: McElhone, Boyle, Fisher  
ALSO PRESENT: Commissioners Cross, Mizgorski, Skelley; Timothy Rogers, Manager; Judith Kording, Assistant Manager; Harlan Stone, Solicitor; Robert Vita, Code Enforcement Officer; Sherry Martin, Admin. Assistant

**Old Business**

**Complete Streets discussion**

The first item of business was a discussion on Complete Streets that was presented to the Committee at the February 26, 2019 Committee meetings. **Mr. Rogers** explained that he sent the Board information on three one-hour Complete Streets webinars. Mr. Chirdon from WalkBikeShaler has been working on a resolution that will fit with Shaler Township. Further research needs done on what the state and county may require to be compliant. **Mr. Boyle** recommended delaying the discussion until the Committee is able to review the webinars and place on the April Committee agenda.

**New Business:**

**House of Thrift Flea Market – Seavey Road Shopping Center**

The first item of business was a request from House of Thrift to hold a flea market at Seavey Road Shopping Center. **Mr. Rogers** explained that the House of Thrift has attained approval and no objection from the other two businesses in the shopping center to hold the flea markets. **Mr. Vita** explained that the occupancy for business and neighborhood shopping is that all parts of the business must be maintained within the building. House of Thrift would like to expand their business by holding a flea market in the parking lot. **Mr. Kevin Staub, 853 Seavey Road, Pittsburgh, 15209** stated that the flea market vendors would be customers that use the store for consignment. They are requesting to hold a flea market on a Saturday once a month. The event will use up approximately 10 parking spaces in the lot. Upon inquiry by Mr. Boyle, Mr. Staub stated that individuals would be entering and exiting the flea market from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. They plan on having a food truck at the event also. Upon inquiry by Mrs. Fisher, Mr. Staub stated that the House of Thrift products will remain in the store and they may use the sidewalk for larger items. Upon inquiry by Mr. Rogers, Mr. Staub stated that he would be on site for any issues with traffic. The hairdresser parking area will be protected for their use only. The discussion on the hardware store is that they are not usually open to the public. **Mr. Rogers** stated that since it is a clear violation of the Township code, if they receive approval for the flea market events, the Township would reserve the right to withdraw the approval for future events if there are public safety concerns. Mr. Staub agreed. Upon inquiry from Mr. Boyle, Mr. Staub stated that overflow parking would be directed to Elbe Drive for on street parking. Cones will be set up to guard pedestrians in the parking lot. **Mr. Rogers** stated issues of concern are if customers are parking on both sides of Elbe Drive, this is the reason for the code stating that businesses must maintain their occupancy within the building. He urged that Elbe Drive must have enough clearance for emergency vehicles and parking should not be on both sides of the street. Upon inquiry by Mr. Rogers, Mr. Staub stated that they will have the restroom inside their business available for use and trash containers will be available at the event.

**Mr. Boyle moved, seconded by Mrs. Fisher to recommend the House of Thrift flea market proposal at the Seavey Shopping Center for the 7 dates requested, (April 13, May 11, June 1, July 13, August 10, September 14 and October 12), subject to future review of each event date for adherence to all conditions that were discussed this evening. The approval may be withdrawn should issues arise. This is approval for the 2019 event dates only. The motion was carried.**

#### **Solid Waste Ordinance Review**

The next item of business was a review of the Solid Waste Ordinance. **Mr. Rogers** explained that the Solid Waste Ordinance lists the items for recycling which glass is included. There is no market for glass at this time. He would recommend amending the ordinance to read, items to be recycled may be subject to the marketability of those items.

**Mr. Boyle moved, seconded by Mrs. Fisher to amend the Solid Waste Ordinance Chapter 187-14 under Separation and Collection, paragraph C that all items to be recycled are subject to market availability. The motion was carried.**

**Public Comment:** No comment.

There being no further business, the Chairman asked for a motion to adjourn. **Mr. Boyle moved, seconded by Mrs. Fisher that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was carried.** The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy J. Rogers  
Manager

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MINUTES  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:56 p.m. by Commissioner Fisher. She announced that the meeting was being taped and asked the Secretary to call the roll. The Secretary called the roll as follows:

**PRESENT:** Fisher, Mizgorski, Skelley  
**ALSO PRESENT:** Commissioners Boyle, Cross and McElhone; Timothy Rogers, Manager; Judith Kording, Assistant Manager; Harlan Stone, Solicitor; Sherry Martin, Administrative Assistant

**New Business:**

**Elfinwild Lions Club Fundraiser – Little Pine Creek at Fawcett Fields**

The first item of business was a request from the Elfinwild Lions Club. **Mr. Rogers** explained that they received a request from the Elfinwild Lions Club to hold a fundraiser at Little Pine Creek at Fawcett Fields called the “Tom Rogers Memorial Duck Race”. They would sell the ducks and place the ducks in the stream and have a net downstream to retrieve the ducks. They have received approval from the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). He suggested that it would be in the best interest of the Township to have an employee and a police officer in the park at this event.

**Mr. Mizgorski moved, seconded by Mr. Skelley to recommend to the full Board of Commissioners approval for the Elfinwild Lions Club to hold their Tom Rogers Memorial Duck Race at Little Pine Creek at Fawcett Fields (July 13, 2019 at 11:00 AM). The motion was carried.**

**Crawshaw Field discussion on fencing**

The next item of business was the Crawshaw Field discussion on fencing. **Mr. Rogers** explained that Mr. Boyle was approached by the Shaler Area Little League on concern that on the first and third baselines there is a considerable exposure to foul balls to those viewing the games and those passing through the park. The Township has had some resistance to more fencing in the park because of community events. A review was done and consideration is being given for an 8 foot high and 50 to 60 foot long fence along the first and third baselines. A bid was attained for under \$6,000 for the entire project. This would provide some protection, but the Township is unable to protect everyone at a ballgame. With the advent of aluminum bats, balls are coming off a lot stronger than a wooden bat. Upon inquiry from Mrs. Fisher, Mr. Rogers stated that it will impede some vision of the game but it is a black fencing which lessens the glare. It will be similar to being behind the netting at PNC Park as it is overwhelming when you first sit down but the visual distraction dissipates while viewing the game. The pipe will be a heavier gauge pipe to withstand anyone hanging on the fence and the fence will be capped. **Mr. Boyle** stated that it will be a 60 foot long fence which will protect the playground and overthrows from the first and third baseline. It will not impede traffic for community events. There will be a 5 foot opening at each bench. The fencing will run parallel to the foul line. It will give Crawshaw Field the same protection of the other fields in the Township. It may require the removal of one tree or trimming of the tree. Upon inquiry by Mrs. Fisher, Mr. Rogers stated that the fencing will not be up until mid-April. Upon inquiry by Mr. Mizgorski, Mr. Boyle stated that the Shaler Area Little League are on board with the fencing and offered to pick up an additional \$400.00 if needed for the fencing. Upon inquiry by Mr. Skelley, Mr. Rogers stated that the athletic associations are covered by insurance.

**Mr. Skelley moved, seconded by Mr. Mizgorski to recommend to the full Board of Commissioners the fencing for Crawshaw Field not to exceed \$5,400.00. The motion was carried.**

**Public Comment:** No comments

There being no further business, the Chairman asked for a motion to adjourn.  
**Mr. Skelley moved, seconded by Mr. Mizgorski that the meeting be adjourned at approximately 7:04 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy J. Rogers  
Manager

M I N U T E S  
SHALER TOWNSHIP PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:05 p.m. by Commissioner Skelley. He announced that the meeting was being taped and asked the Secretary to call the roll as follows:

PRESENT: Skelley, Boyle, Mizgorski  
ALSO PRESENT: Commissioners Fisher, McElhone  
& Cross; Timothy Rogers, Manager; Judith Kording, Assistant  
Manager; Harlan Stone, Solicitor; Amanda Jennings, Finance  
Assistant; Sherry Martin, Admin. Assistant

**New Business:**

**Glass Recycling Event discussion**

The first item of business was a discussion on holding glass recycling events in the Township. **Mr. Rogers** explained that glass was removed by many of the larger garbage contractors in the area because there is no market. The Township received many complaints on the removal of glass from recycling. There have been documentaries and news articles on the subject and tin cans may be the next item to be removed from the recycling market. **Mrs. Jennings, Finance Assistant** did some investigating on glass recycling and the Pennsylvania Resource Council (PRC) will host glass recycling events in the community at a cost of \$750.00 per event. The events are staff by PRC staff and no additional staff would be required from the Township. These events could be coordinated with another municipality to split the cost. The events are currently held on Saturdays but they are looking to schedule weekdays events in the future. PRC's spring schedule is ready booked in the South Hills. Recommended locations for hosting the event would be in the front parking lot of Jeffery School with the appropriate permission from the school district, or the front parking lot of the Shaler North Hills Library. The events run from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. There was discussion on the types and sizes of the containers, if they have enough containers, and if the glass is separated on site. Upon inquiry by Mr. Boyle, Mrs. Jennings stated that she had not had contact with any municipality that has held the glass recycling event. **Mr. Rogers** stated that he will get a list from Mrs. Jennings and attend one of the events. **Mr. Boyle** requested a list of the municipalities holding events by next Wednesday for the Board and they can speak to representatives at the Seven Springs Conference next week. Upon inquiry by Mr. Mizgorski, Mrs. Jennings stated that municipalities are not permitted more than 11 events per year. They do not want one location to be considered the only glass recycling center and have individuals leaving glass in parking lots.

**Mr. Rogers** suggested he will bring it to the North Hills Council of Governments (NHCOG) for a joint municipality effort once additional information is received. Some of the municipalities in the North Hills still have glass recycling as they are part of the NHCOG garbage bid. Shaler Township contract ended on December 31, 2018 and when the bid went out for a new contract the garbage contractors did not want glass to be a part of the bid. **Mr. Boyle** suggested that if more North Hills municipalities do not have glass being recycled as part of their contract in 2020, they be more receptive to a joint glass recycling event. **Mr. Rogers** suggested that Shaler could still contract one event this year. **Mrs. Jennings** stated that PRC provides all of the marketing materials and the Township would need to post and advertise the event. July is the earliest event date open on the PRC schedule. There was further discussion on residents saving

their glass to participate in these events and resident confusion to recycle glass or not. Mr. Rogers will visit the Reserve Park Landfill to see how the glass recycling is being done.

**Public Comments:** No comments

There being no further business, the Chairman asked for a motion to adjourn. **Mr. Mizgorski moved, seconded by Mr. Boyle that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was carried.** The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy J. Rogers  
Manager