

NEWPORT TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

July 26th 2011, 6:30 P.M. EST

Guardian Elder Care Center • Sheatown PA.

Attendees:

Tom Kashatus	Francis Zaleski	Joe Maloney	Mary Margaret Kashatus	Paul Jarecki
Palmira Miller	Linda Conner	Faye Maloney	Mary Jo Evans	Heidi Jarecki

I. President, Tom Kashatus called the meeting to order on the above date and time, led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and proceeded with the order of business.

II. Secretary, Linda Conner read the minutes from the meeting of July 12th 2011. Mary Jo Evans made a motion that the minutes with noted corrections be accepted as read and placed on file; seconded by Heidi Jarecki, with all voting in favor.

III. Treasurer, Francis Zaleski read and presented the treasurers report of July 26th 2011. Joe Maloney made a motion that the report with noted corrections be accepted as read and placed on file; seconded by Mary Jo Evans, with all voting in favor.

IV. Reading of the Bills & Communication

- a) A letter was received from the *Mill Memorial Library* in Nanticoke requesting a donation towards the Children's Reading Program. Palmira Miller made a motion that a monetary donation of \$100.00 be given to the library; seconded by Linda Conner, with all voting in favor.
- b) An invoice was presented from *Waste Reduction & Recycling Enterprises* in the amount of \$150.00 for a transport fee. The expense was incurred on the 40 yard dumpster graciously donated by *Waste Reduction & Recycling Enterprises* for use during the Great American Clean Up. Heidi Jarecki made a motion to pay the invoice as presented, seconded by Faye Maloney, with all voting in favor.
- c) An invoice was presented from *Old Newport Decal & Screen Printing* in the amount of \$270.00 for the purchase and embroidery of 30 hats. An allowance of up to \$350.00 was approved for the purchase at a previous meeting. No voting was required.
- d) A monetary donation of \$10.00 was received from former township resident, Steven Tirpak.
- e) An email was received from *Guardian Elder Care Center* announcing their Annual Block Party to be held on site Saturday, July 30th 2011. Palmira Miller made a motion to donate a Newport Township memorabilia basket to be chanced during the Chinese Auction, seconded by Heidi Jarecki, with all voting in favor.

V. Reports of Committees

- a) Membership – 2011 membership stands at 143 members with 8 junior members.
- b) New Business – Joe Maloney plans on dropping off a newsletter at the new, transmission repair shop on West Kirmar Avenue in the space vacated by *JD Creations*. There has been no official welcome from NTCO as of yet.
- c) Hospitality/Sunshine – It was announced that NTCO member, Chet Wrubel recently under went heart surgery. A card will be sent wishing him a speedy recovery.
- d) Editorial – The office hours for Representative Gerald Mullery will be featured in the newsletter as a public service.
- e) Fundraising – Heidi Jarecki provided the final proof of the Alden Company Store miniature for approval. Faye Maloney made a motion to approve and place the order for the miniature; seconded by Joe Maloney, with all voting in favor. This will be the 4th in the series of collectibles featuring historic township sites.
- f) Summer Fun – Palmira reported that over 40 children attended the swimming event at the pool in Mocanaqua on Thursday, July 21st 2011. An expense of \$332.95 for the event was absorbed by the program's allowance. The next swimming event will be held Thursday, August 4th. NTCO will sponsor a tie-dyeing and chalk-making event by Mr. Robert Hughes of EPCAMR on Wednesday, August 24th at the Wanamie Recreation Center.

VI. Unfinished Old Business (“Unfinished” items with new discussion only)

- a) Linda Conner reported the hats featuring “NEWPORT TOWNSHIP” in embroidery could possibly be ready by the next meeting. Francis Zaleski made a motion to sell the hats a price of \$12.00 each; seconded by Mary Margaret Kashatus, with all voting in favor.
- b) Tom collected the written recommendations for the re-establishing of the annual **5-Point Plan**. The forms can still be made available by emailing President Tom Kashatus at tomkash@verizon.net. All recommendations will be considered.
- c) Palmira Miller reported that a recent meeting with John Grabowski of the Newport Township Recreation Board provided the location for the bench purchased by NTCO for the Coal Street Park in Glen Lyon. Installation can now proceed.
- d) It was confirmed that Sunday, October 9th 2011 has been chosen as the date of the Fall Festival. President Tom Kashatus reminded that individuals are still needed to chair and co-chair the event.
- e) NTCO will present the check for the purchase of a M-16 rifle to the Newport Township Police Department at 5:30, Tuesday, August 2nd at the Wanamie Recreation Center. The presentation will be part of the “National Night Out” to be held by the local chapter of **CRIME WATCH**.

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VII. *New Business*

No new business was discussed.

VIII. *Good of the Organization*

- a) It was reminded that there is a meeting of the Newport Township Commissioners on Monday, August 1st 2011 at 6pm.
- b) It was reminded that tickets are available to see the S/WB Yankees take on the Pawtucket Red Sox on Friday, August 26th 2011 with game time at 7:05pm. Ticket price is \$13.00 each. Please contact Mary Margaret Kashatus to reserve your ticket as soon as possible.
- c) It was reminded that the clean up of the Kirmar Parkway in Newport Township as part of the *Adopt-A-Highway* program has been scheduled for Saturday, August 20th at 9am.
- d) President Tom Kashatus has vowed to always ask for a complete report and cost analysis for projects involving income and expense.
- e) Keep in mind that new member sponsorship, fundraising efforts and support of the businesses that advertise in our newsletter is the obligation of all members.

IX. *Adjournment*

Francis Zaleski made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Faye Maloney, with all voting in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Submitted by: Linda Conner