BOROUGH OF CARROLL VALLEY PARKS, RECREATION, AND ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2010 – 7:00 PM BOROUGH OFFICE

MINUTES

Chairman James Marchione called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. Those in attendance were:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Present James Marchione, Chairman George Fisanich Amy Reinke Tim Skoczen Absent Tammy Lytle

BOROUGH OFFICIALS

David Hazlett, Borough Manager Gayle Marthers, Borough Secretary Amanda Bell, Recording Secretary Ron Harris, Mayor

CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 28, 2009 MEETING

G. Fisanich moved, T. Skoczen seconded that the Committee accept the minutes of the October 28, 2009 minutes as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT

2010 Meeting Schedule. Mr. Hazlett stated if there are any questions regarding the meeting schedule to let him know.

Mr. Hazlett also stated there are two vacancies on the committee, if anyone knows anyone who would like to join to please let him know.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Welcome to the Neighborhood. A. Reinke stated that Mr. Hazlett is going to present to Council the general process who, what, where, when, why, how to make sure that the committee has Councils support. A. Reinke stated that she is looking for help to go around and collect monetary donations towards food, supplies, and publication of Best of the Valley or an item for the Door Prize from different vendors in the area. A. Reinke stated that if anyone is interested in helping by the next meeting she will have the area vendors broken up into regions so that the individuals helping will have an easy traveling route. Mr. Hazlett asked A. Reinke if she is looking to have the literature finished prior to the event. A. Reinke stated that a final draft of the literature will not be done by the event; she said she would like to have a word document with graphics done to show the vendors that they are on the literature and that the last step is to get it publicized. Mr. Hazlett asked A. Reinke about the Silent Auction, he asked if the people attending would be bidding on the item. A. Reinke stated that the people attending would not be bidding on the item with money; they would receive raffle tickets to put in a basket in front of the item. Mr. Hazlett asked A. Reinke how many invitees would be attending this event. A. Reinke stated around 450 people would be invited, but more than likely only 40-50 invitees would attend. G. Marthers stated that the words Silent Auction to her means money, she suggested changing the wording to

door prizes or free gifts. G. Marthers also pointed out on the invitation it does not state where the event is going to be held. Mr. Hazlett stated a lot of times with sponsorships you have different categories such as gold, silver, and bronze you do not necessarily say what it is for but you acknowledge the individuals who contributed. Mr. Hazlett also stated to make sure to set a dollar amount or recommended minimum.

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

J. Marchione asked Mr. Hazlett about the flooding in the area. Mr. Hazlett stated that tomorrow the Borough will be posting the park as closed until the areas are fixed. Mr. Hazlett stated the walking path is 50% gone; the pavilion doesn't seem to have any damage, and all the mulch and sand will have to be replaced. Mr. Hazlett also stated that in the long run the walking path should be paved.

G. Fisanich asked Mr. Hazlett about the status of the dam. Mr. Hazlett stated the core samples were taken two weeks ago, and all the samples came back normal. Mr. Hazlett also stated the core results are as good as the Borough could have hoped.

A. Reinke asked Mr. Hazlett about the traffic signal over by the Ranch Section. Mr. Hazlett stated that he has not heard anything yet, but was told that the project will start in spring. Mr. Hazlett stated that Penn Dot is well aware of the Borough's concerns of the signal and its affect on Ranch Trail.

A. Reinke asked Mr. Hazlett if the cat issue has been breached as an environmental issue. Mr. Hazlett stated it will be hard to regulate the cat issue. A. Reinke asked about the location on Gingell Trail that has a lot of cats. Mr. Hazlett stated the SPCA has been to the area and stated the living condition for the cats is fine. G. Marthers stated at one point the SPCA visited the location and spayed and neutered 50 cats. Mr. Hazlett stated that the Borough is considering purchasing humane traps to loan to a resident if there is an animal they are looking to get rid of and take to the SPCA.

A. Reinke stated that the movie Fireproof will be showing at the FCF Church on Friday, February 12th if anyone is interested.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM by consensus.

Amanda Bell, Recording Secretary