

**WATCHUNG RECREATION**  
**COORDINATOR'S REPORT**  
**September 9, 2014**

1. Bob Burns the Public Works manager informed me of the deteriorated sign at Mobus Park. The sign is made of metal with a wood frame which was held up by a carved wooden pole. The sign was donated to the Borough by Barbara Diem in memory of her husband Fred. Mrs. Diem who expressed the desire to purchase another sign to replace it. A sign has been purchased as well as a sign post that was purchased with the recreation budget.
2. Surveillance cameras are now in place at Mobus Field. Cameras have been placed on the roof of the pavilion covering the tennis courts, playground, and basketball courts as well as the inside of the Pavilion. Two signs will be placed noticing the residents that the property is protected by surveillance cameras.
3. Repairs have been made to the swings at Mobus Field replacing the worn chains, baby swings and the wrap over mechanism that prevents a swing from being swung over the top bar. The swings and benches will be removed during the playground area preparations and replaced by the same company that will install the new equipment.
4. The playground equipment has been ordered and the area preparations will be completed by Public Works with the supervision of Tom Herits. The equipment was purchased from Game Time a Playcore state contracted company and will be accepted, inspected, delivered and installed by Kamback Bros., LLC from Brick Township. The original quote of \$62,304.00 for two structures was discounted allowing the Borough to purchase two similar structures, a Maypole, a balance beam, a tree like climbing structure, a spinning leaf and a bike rack for under \$49,000. With installation and the cost of the site preparations we should be around the \$80,000. This is the amount the commission had originally estimated for the job.
5. A fall tennis program is now in place for 4 yr. olds to 14 yr. olds. This program will be run on Sundays. The program has been offered to Watchung residents first and then to Warren, Green Brook and Long Hill students if there are any vacancies in the program. An adult program is in place as well for Thursday mornings from 9:30 – 10:30am.
6. The details of the fishing derby are as follows; the event will start at 9:00 am. The Mayor will call the start of the event. Public Works will set up two tables, one for trophies and the measuring tool as well as the tally sheet to keep track of the fish caught and registered residents. The other table will be for the food items, coffee and juice packs. Unfortunately the Warren Blue Ridge Sportsmen Hunting Club will not be available for our event. They did however agree to bring Zeppoles to our Harvest Festival.
7. Jeffrey Isaacs has completed his Eagle Scout project. His project consisted of painting the two closets inside the Mobus Pavilion as well as organizing the contents in each. Jeff made a sign for the pavilion and three plaques numbering the tennis courts. Also part of his project was to put together the three tennis court benches purchased with grant funds. Jeff did a nice job painting and organizing as well as creating some really nice signs. A thank you for his efforts will be sent from the Commission once I receive his report.