

AN ORDINANCE #30-1979
TO CREATE A RECREATION & PARK BOARD
FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF HONEY BROOK

WHEREAS, the Recreation Enabling Legislation, enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, provides that:

- a. Every municipality of the Commonwealth shall have a general plan of its parks and playgrounds;
- b. Every municipality may acquire lands, property, and buildings for the purpose of establishing and maintaining public parks, parkways, playgrounds, playfields, gymnasiums, public baths swimming pools, or indoor recreation centers;
- c. Every municipality may provide for supervising, programming, equipping, and maintaining public recreation areas and facilities through any existing body or through a recreation and park board;
- d. All municipalities may levy and collect such special taxes, (not to exceed (refer to municipal code book) mills) as they may deem necessary to finance the operation and maintenance of their recreation and park system, and they may take direct appropriations for same;
- e. Any city, borough, township, county, or school district may perform the above public service jointly with any combination of civil subdivision; and

WHEREAS, it is the considered judgment of Honey Brook Township that adequate public recreation programs and facilities for Honey Brook Township can best be advanced by placing the recreation system under the supervision and direction of a legally constituted recreation and park board authorized by the Recreation

Enabling Legislation of Pennsylvania; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Honey Brook Township:

Section 1. That there is hereby created a recreation and park board known as the "Recreation and Park Board of Honey Brook Township".

Section 2. That the board shall be composed of seven (7) members, to be appointed by the Township Supervisors with the power to provide and conduct recreation and cultural activities and maintain public recreation areas, facilities, and centers subject to all the responsibilities of the Recreation Enabling Legislation. The board members shall serve for terms of seven (7) years and until their successors are appointed, except that the members first appointed shall be so appointed that the term of one member shall expire annually thereafter. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments and for the unexpired term. Members shall serve without pay.

Section 3. That the recreation and park board shall appoint from its membership a chairman and such other officers as it may deem necessary for the orderly procedure of its business, and may adopt by-laws, rules, and regulations covering its procedure not inconsistent with the provisions of the State laws. The recreation and park board shall, from time to time, make rules governing the operation and conduct of the recreational facilities operated by the board. The board shall hold regular meetings at such time and place as it may designate.

Section 4. That the recreation and park board shall maintain, operate, and supervise the public parks, playfields, and all outdoor and indoor recreation areas and facilities owned or

controlled by the Township of Honey Brook.

Section 5. That the recreation and park board may accept any grant, gift, bequest, or donation of services, equipment, real estate, or money from any individual or group, to be used as specified by the donor, or by the terms of acceptance. The recreation and park board shall have no authority to enter into any contract or incur any obligation binding upon the Township, other than current obligations or contracts to be fully executed within the then current fiscal year, and all within the budget appropriations made by the governing body of Honey Brook Township.

Section 6. That the recreation and park board shall have the power to appoint an executive director or superintendent of recreation and parks who possesses the necessary qualifications and who has demonstrated by actual work his ability to organize and direct a community recreation system, and such other personnel as may be deemed necessary and are recommended by the executive director.

Section 7. That funds appropriated by the governing body of Honey Brook Township, and budgeted to the recreation board, shall be disbursed by the fiscal disbursing officer of Honey Brook Township, upon vouchers issued by the recreation and park board and within the budget appropriations made. Funds received by the recreation and park board from sources other than budget appropriations shall be deposited by the Township Treasurer, to the credit and for the use of the said board, and disbursed as the above budget funds are disbursed, except that funds received by gift, bequest, or otherwise shall be disbursed in accordance with the terms of the acceptance thereof.

Section 8. That the recreation and park board shall sub-

mit an annual report and such other reports as needed to the governing body at such times as may be designated or requested by the governing body. The fiscal year of said recreation and park board shall conform to that of Honey Brook Township.

Section 9. That such powers that are now or may hereafter be provided by statute of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or by ordinances of Honey Brook Township relating to the development and operation of recreation systems, public parks, and playgrounds, are hereby vested in the recreation and park board, to be exercised by it subject to any and all restrictions contained in such powers and ordinances.

Section 10. The recreation and park board shall have no authority to issue bonds for the purpose of acquiring any lands or buildings for parks, public recreation areas and facilities and for the equipment thereof, said power being hereby reserved to the Board of Supervisors of Honey Brook Township.

Section 11. Any personnel, except maintenance personnel, proposed to be hired by the recreation and park board shall be subject to the majority approval of the Board of Supervisors of Honey Brook Township.

Section 12. Prior to October 1 of each year the recreation and park board shall prepare a proposed annual budget for the forthcoming calendar year and submit the same for approval to the Board of Supervisors of Honey Brook Township which budget shall be approved in whole or in part or modified at the discretion of the Board of Supervisors and said decision shall be communicated to the recreation and park board prior to December 31 of each and every year.

Section 13. That all resolutions and ordinances of

Honey Brook Township in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 14. That this resolution shall be in force and effect five (5) days after its passage.

Adopted this *2d* day of *August*, 1979.

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Attested
Barbara P. Jacobs
Secretary