The Special Meeting was Called to Order at 7:00 P.M. by President R. Shiles.

President R. Shiles welcomed everyone and stated the purpose of the Special Meeting was to increase communication and enhance cooperation between the GR Recreation Board and GR Borough Council.

The main topics discussed during the meeting included the DCNR Small Communities Grant Application, new ADA requirements for parks, funds available through the Borough for park renovations, replacing the fence for the large baseball field used by many Glen Rock Baseball teams, GR Recreation Board Bylaws, and terms of office for GR Recreation Board members. Additionally Council informed the GR Recreation Board, that the Borough’s Auditor would be updating Council during the February Council Meeting with recommendations and suggestions for changes to current procedures for both the Borough and the GR Recreation Board. R. Shiles invited the GR Recreation Board members to attend the Council meeting for this update.

In the Borough’s 2011 Budget, $8000.00 was committed to GR Recreation Board toward the GR Recreation Board’s fence project. However, Council discussed applying this budgeted amount toward the matching funds for the DCNR Grant, if the Borough was awarded this grant.

*J. Glatfelter arrived for the meeting at 7:05 P. M.

Projects identified for use of the DCNR Grant funds included handicap parking spaces, ADA accessible path to equipment and to bleachers, and upgrade of wooden equipment at the park. New projects using grant funds must be ADA Compliant.

GR Recreation Board walked outside to discuss by themselves and when they returned to the meeting they decided that Borough Council should keep the budgeted $8000.00
from the 2011 budget to use toward the Borough’s match if the Borough receives the DCNR Grant in 2012.

Council and the GR Recreation Board discussed replacing the outfield fence for the large baseball field. The Glen Rock Athletic Association (GRAA) contacted three contractors and received three quotes for replacing the fence. However, since the Borough owns the park, the bidding process may not be circumvented. GR Recreation Board must follow the procedures outlined in the Borough Code. R. Shiles moved to authorize the solicitor to develop a bid package for advertising for replacement of the outfield fence for the large baseball field at the park, with bids to be opened during the March Council Meeting, seconded by K. Wells. Motion carried. GR Recreation Board asked who was going to complete the advertisement, pay for advertising and pay the solicitor’s fees. GR Borough will pay all the fees.

The Ordinance and By-Laws for the Glen Rock Recreation Board must be updated to include the Municipal Code requirements. Council will coordinate the updates to these documents with the GR Recreation Board.

The GR Recreation Board asked when the Borough anticipates receiving Recreation Fees for the Field of Broad Springs development. According to the Municipal Planning Code, the Recreation fees must be used within one-half mile of the development. The Recreation Fees are not automatically turned over to the Recreation Board. The GR Recreation Board still wants to know what percentage of the development must be built for the Recreation Fees to be paid to the municipality. K. Wells volunteered to speak with the Borough Engineer to ask this question.

When the Borough met with the DCNR Representative, the representative was surprised that there is no fee charged for use of the pavilion. When questioned by Council, the GR Recreation Board stated that they would be discussing this matter during upcoming meetings.

President R. Shiles adjourned the meeting at 8:40 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann E. Merrick
Secretary/Treasurer