



UPPER UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

September 19, 2019
Temporary Administration Office
415 Eagleview Blvd., Suite 116
Minutes

Board members Patrick Dennin, Chris Foster, Lou Lanzalotto, Praveen Nadkarni, Sushila Subramanian, and Cathy Tomlinson were present. Also present was Assistant Township Manager Shanna Lodge.

Call to Order

Ms. Tomlinson called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Minutes

Mr. Subramanian moved to approve the minutes of August 22. Mr. Nadkarni seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Old Business

Tree Lighting – The 3rd Annual Tree Lighting is scheduled for November 30, 2019 with a rain date of December 1, 2019. Ms. Tomlinson requested that the members of the Park and Recreation Board (PRB) sign up for various support roles for the event, and a signup sheet was distributed. The group decided not to have a food collection at the event this year. Instead, the PRB will sponsor a food donation box at the Township Building during the fall. Various details of the event were discussed.

New Business

Trail Ordinance – Ms. Tomlinson introduced this topic. She noted that Upper Uwchlan Township does not have a trail ordinance and contended that this legislation can be helpful as municipalities work to acquire land and easements for trail purposes. Ms. Subramanian offered to research area municipalities which have a trail ordinance.

Call for Volunteers – A call for volunteers will be included in the fall Township Newsletter. A website form has been created for volunteers to sign up.

Jackets – The group discussed design elements for a winter jacket for the PRB to be worn at cold weather events.

Spring Trail Celebration Event – The group discussed a spring trail event to celebrate the extension of the Park Road Trail. Parking, crowd control, and the nature of the event were discussed. Given the little league schedules, as well as peak season at Marsh Creek State Park, the group determined that May 16 is the best date for the event.

Committee Reports

Facilities – Mr. Lanzalotto presented a discussion of various items at Hickory Park including paint colors and the location of benches. He further noted that the surface of the trail at Fellowship Fields may need attention. Given the success of the playground at Hickory Park, the group discussed the potential of installing playground equipment at Fellowship Fields. Ms. Tomlinson reviewed the facility-related

budget priority items which were presented to the Board of Supervisors for consideration for the 2020 and 2021 budgets. Priorities included: safety lighting at both Hickory Park and Fellowship Fields.

Upland Farms – Ms. Tomlinson reviewed the top priority items submitted by the PRB to the Board of Supervisors for consideration for the 2020 and 2021 budgets. Priorities include: classroom space and bathrooms, and an expanded parking lot.

Trails – Ms. Lodge announced that the online trail map is now live. Mr. Nadkarni shared that he has located additional documents relating to the Windsor Ridge Trail connection that he will share with Township staff and the Supervisors.

Events – No further update.

Regional Trail Planning – The Conditional Use hearing regarding the Struble Trail extension has been continued to a date to be determined.

DARC – Mr. Nadkarni reported that while the summer camp numbers were down overall, DARC had great success at the Pickering Elementary and Lionville Middle School locations. DARC strategic planning is underway.

Open Session

Ms. Tomlinson provided an update on Eagle Crossroads. At the joint Boards and Commissions meeting in September, Ms. Tomlinson learned that the Village Concept Committee had considered, and ultimately jettisoned, the idea of a central fountain, due to maintenance and cost concerns. Mr. Dennin suggested that having a smaller water feature was not necessarily preferable to no water feature at all and maintained that a fountain should be priced and considered for a future park upgrade.

The group elected to cancel their December meeting.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on October 17, 2019 at the Temporary Township office.

Adjournment

Mr. Foster moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Subramanian seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Shanna Lodge
Park and Recreation Board Secretary