

UPPER UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

January 21st, 2021
Meeting was held virtually.

Board members present Lou Lanzalotto, Sushila Subramanian, Praveen Nadkarni, Chris Foster and Cathy Tomlinson were present. Also present was Township Manager Tony Scheivert and residents Lisa Sheldon and Pat Dennin (Pat had not responded to a letter from the Township for reappointment in time for the January re-organization meeting so he was attending the meeting as a resident and will be reappointed in February).

The meeting was called to order at 6:03.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Tomlinson moved to approve the minutes of November 19th, 2020. Mr. Lanzalotto seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

Reorganization of the Board – Pat Dennin mentioned he would be interested in serving as Chair. Lou nominated Pat Dennin for Chairperson, but Pat was ineligible due to not being reappointed in January. Cathy nominated Sushila and that nomination was seconded by Lou and was approved unanimously after discussion on the Board's role in the Township and everyone's thoughts on the Board's mission. Cathy volunteered to be Vice-Chair and Chris seconded Cathy for Vice-Chair and that was approved unanimously.

Old Business

Light Up Upper Uwchlan – Nothing but positive feedback on event. Businesses did great. Restaurants were contacted before event and some took advantage with promotions during event. Fireworks are already scheduled for Saturday after Thanksgiving 2021. Location of fireworks was great. Would like to work to expand event into adding crafters or investigate closing road to add offerings. Discussion included incorporating tree lighting at Upland Farms and events in Village. Need to make sure that we remember to move fireworks back a few minutes to wait until church at St. Elizabeth's is over.

New Business

2021 Events and Initiatives

Easter Event – Discussed the Easter Egg Hunt or other options. Unlikely that we would be able to have our traditional egg hunt. Decided that Saturday, March 27th would be the date for whatever event was decided. Blocked the times of 10AM to 12PM for any event that would be scheduled.

Movies – Discussed having movies the same night during the months of May, June, July, and August. Tony will contact company that has the screen and get prices and availability. It was decided to have everyone think about ideas and we would make decisions in February.

Geocaching – Discussed setting up geocaching/treasure hunt of the Township. Possibility of getting a scout to do as an Eagle Scout project or senior project. Praveen and Tony will look for possible eagle scout candidates. Incorporate Upland Farms, lake, other township buildings.

Schedule of Events – Discussed a schedule so residents know when we are having our events.

Committee Reports

DARC – Preparing for summer camps and would like to start to use Hickory Park and Upland Farms more. Newsletter was included in sewer bill and annual funding was sent recently.

Regional Trail Planning – Cathy had nothing to report on regional trails but asked about Shyrock property. Waiting on Natural Lands to apply for zoning variance for Struble Trail extension.

Trails – Discussed Windsor Ridge Trail to Eagle. Mr. Scheivert hopes to soon have concept plans for the trail.

Facilities – Mr. Lanzaletto stated that facilities are in pretty good shape. Suggested we meet with representatives from GEYA and other organizations about doing work on the fields and making sure the work is done properly. Discussed mounds and locations of sprinklers.

Discussed covers on basketball courts and how great they looked. Also discussed signage about suggested time limits on tennis courts and limiting times to 1 ½ hours. Signage was placed about no lessons allowed. Discuss timers and what we could possibly do about promoting sharing of the courts in addition to the signs.

Discussed the turf field replacement which is in the budget for 2021. Putting it out to bid.

Discussed lighting basketball courts and tennis courts. Money in budget for 2021. Cost is a lot more than what we have in our budget. Will discuss further with Musco Lighting and get a firm price and will discuss further next month. Would like to light at least one tennis court and basketball if we can. Also want to look at entrance lighting and lighting by Rugby shed.

Open Session

Discussed the Park and Rec Board getting involved in plantings and beautify Hickory Park. Discussed the idea of a community wide clean up. Discussed possibly meeting at Hickory Park in April to do the plantings. Praveen thanked Lisa for joining the meeting. We will be meeting virtually for February and March and then we will decide what to do for April.

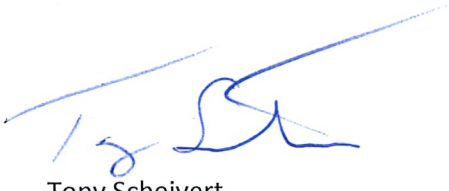
Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Park and Recreation Board will be held on Thursday, February 18th at 6PM

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 PM

Respectfully submitted,

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Tony Scheivert
Township Manager

