



UPPER UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

August 22, 2019
Fellowship Fields Pavilion
Minutes

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

Call to Order

Ms. Tomlinson called the meeting to order at 6:06 PM.

Minutes

Mr. Nadkarni moved to approve the minutes of July 18. Mr. Lanzalotto 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. The Board commenced a discussion planning for the event which included the following: posting a call for volunteers, food vendors, music, and lighting. The group developed a list of organizations to invite to be involved. Ms. Lodge will follow up with these organizations.

Park Project Updates – Ms. Lodge reported on various projects at the Township parks: Playground fencing has been installed at Hickory Park. Field 2 home plate fencing and netting by the turnpike are in progress. An electrical analysis of Hickory Park has been conducted, including an inspection of all panels and connections. Township staff expect to receive the report and drawing soon. Regarding Upland Farms, the Township has solicited bids for mold remediation at the Farmhouse, and these are due next week.

New Business

Budgetary Recommendations – Ms. Tomlinson commenced a discussion of the group's recommendations for the 2020 Budget. Ms. Lodge reminded the Board of their 2019 Annual Report for the Board of Supervisors, which includes priority items. Ms. Tomlinson requested that Ms. Lodge convert the narrative of the report to a bulleted list for presentation at the Joint Boards and Commissions meeting on September 10. The list should break down priorities/requests over the next five years.

A discussion followed that included the following priority highlights: Safety and parking lot lighting at Hickory Park and Fellowship Fields, additional parking at Upland Farms, and enhanced features at Eagle Crossroads. Trail priorities discussed included: connecting Windsor Ridge to the larger trail system, the center loop trail, and connections to Eagleview, and connecting the Reserve at Chester Springs to the trail along Darrel Drive.

Committee Reports

Facilities – Mr. Lanzalotto informed the group that the head of the Downingtown Rugby Club, Mike Drill, has stepped down from the role after many successful seasons. Mr. Lanzalotto further noted the need

to fix the sprinklers at Hickory Park before the start of fall ball. Baseball participation is up, he said, and the GEYA teams may request use of an additional field in the spring.

Upland Farms – No further update.

Trails – No further update.

Events – No further update.

Regional Trail Planning –No further update.

DARC – Mr. Nadkarni reported that the DARC Board will soon be resuming after a summer recess. He further noted that the organization is working with a strategic planner

Open Session

No comments.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on September 19, 2019.

Adjournment

Mr. Nadkarni moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Lanzalotto seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Shanna Lodge". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

Shanna Lodge
Park and Recreation Board Secretary