

Upper Uwchlan Township

Park and Recreation Board

Meeting Minutes

August 19, 2021 – Meeting was held virtually

The following members of the Park and Recreation Board were present: Lisa Sheldon, Cathy Tomlinson, Sushila Subramanian, Chris Foster, and Patrick Dennin. Also present was Assistant Township Manager Shanna Lodge. Resident Naresh Tulluru was in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 PM.

There were no minutes to approve.

New Business

Movies at the Park – The group discussed the two upcoming movie in the park events and volunteers for 8/20 event. *Spider-Man: Homecoming* will be shown on 8/20. Chris will bring popcorn and water bottles - 50 of each. The group discussed inclement weather but noted that the forecast is clear. Chris asked about bringing Park and Rec promotional collateral – Shanna will follow up with staffer who will be working the event.

Light Up Upper Uwchlan – The event will be held the Saturday after Thanksgiving and include the fifth annual Tree Lighting and Fireworks. Due to ongoing COVID-19 concerns, crafts, refreshments, and entertainment will be forgone this year. Lisa asked about adding lighting to the Barn. Cathy suggested also adding lights along the pathway out to Route 100. Chris added that event should include the fire barrels, if possible. Group suggested adding lights and decor elsewhere in the Township.

Halloween Event - The Upper Uwchlan Police Department would like to partner with Park and Rec Board on trunk or treat event. This will be community outreach and could also include emergency responders and the EMPC. The event will be held October 30th at Hickory Park. The Park and Recreation Board is keen to participate and willing to serve as costume competition judges.

Diwali Event - Sushila advised limiting celebration to lights; with COVID-19 concerns, community gatherings for Diwali this year have been cancelled. Lisa requested to ensure that this holiday was acknowledged on social media. Shanna said that a social media post and posters at parks would be a great way to acknowledge the holiday. The holiday falls on November 4th this year. Sushila will follow up with the group with links to info about the holiday. Resident Naresh Tulluru suggested that the Township put up lights in the Township, perhaps at the Township Building. Cathy suggested putting together a map of lit homes for Diwali.

Daffodil Patch - The suggestion of planting a daffodil patch had come up at a previous meeting. Cathy asked if it would be more of a meadow or planted in a mulched bed. Shanna said she would speak to the Public Works department about their preference and maintenance operations. Sushila added that we should add more wildflowers to Upland Farms. Shanna will follow up and see if it is do-able.

Committee Reports

DARC - No report.

Regional Trail Planning – Shanna advised of the closure of Route 282 and noted that it would impact access to the Stuble trailhead.

Events - Nothing further.

Trails - Sushila advocated for prioritizing trail connections in Eagle Village between Wawa and Starbucks along Pottstown Pike. Shanna noted that a proposal for to update the Trails Master Plan from Ray Ott is forthcoming.

Upland Farms - Shanna reported that Barn construction is underway. Tony can coordinate tours with members of the Park and Recreation Board. Lisa suggested adding a sign board about the construction.

Facilities - Tony has addressed Lou's concerns, which were sent in via email before the meeting. Lighting specifications for tennis and basketball courts will be advertised for public bid following approval at upcoming Board of Supervisors meeting.

Open Session

Cathy inquired about the Windsor Ridge trail connection. Shanna will ask Tony to follow up.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the park and recreation board is September 16th.

The meeting was adjourned 6:59

Respectfully submitted,

Shanna Lodge
Assistant Township Manager