

Upper Gwynedd Township

Park and Recreation Board

Minutes

May 8, 2017

1. Call to Order

The May 8, 2017 meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairperson Mr. Nagele. Those in attendance were:

Rob Nagele	Chairperson
John Murray	Member
Mike Zumpino	Member
Danielle Dvorchak	Member
Kathleen Dooley	Member
Kathy Johnson	Member
Alex Kaker	Parks & Recreation Director
Starrett Vesper	Resident
Evan Mancini	Resident
Mary Mancini	Resident
Greg Vesper	Resident
Matt Duardo	Resident

2. Approval of Minutes of March 13, 2017

Mr. Nagele asked for any questions or corrections relative to the Minutes of March 13, 2017. Mr. Murray made a motion to approve the March 13, 2017 Minutes. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Dooley and it passed unanimously.

3. Public Comments

None

4. Old Business

A. Smoking Ordinance

Mr. Kaker gave an update on the proposed smoking ordinance. The Board of Commissioners have authorized the advertisement of the ordinance and will take an official vote at the end of May.

B. Pickleball Courts

Mr. Kaker gave an update on the construction of the pickleball courts. Paving should be taking place next week with hopes of an opening ceremony in June.

C. Community Center

The Needs Assessment Committee has met with Buell Kratzer Powell twice. Discussions are ongoing about where the building could be located. Mr. Zumpino talked about location, parking and flow of traffic/pedestrians and how that's been driving talks. He commended BKP in how they've been considering all elements including storm water management, landscaping, etc.

D. Earth Day

Trees were planted at Whittaker park along with a soccer goal at the end of April. Additional trees were planted in open space along Supplee Road. Pennbrook Middle Schoolers came to Parkside Place and picked up trash at the complex.

5. New Business**A. Garfield Park – Gaga Pit Presentation**

A couple students want to add a gaga pit at Garfield Park for a community service project with Penndale Middle School. They want to promote a healthy and active lifestyle for kids in the neighborhood. Starett Vesper and Evan Mancini made a presentation to the board. After discussion, it was decided the students would mark out a few locations at Garfield Park for the board to review prior to approving the project.

B. Senior Games

Mr. Kaker explained how the Montgomery County Senior games operate. Upper Gwynedd will host the hot shots and free throw competitions again this year.

C. Spring Programming Update

- Spring Youth Soccer League has 143 participants, up from 103 last year
- Spring tennis lessons for the first time in three years and have 40 participants between Tuesday and Thursday evenings
- CPR training had 5 registered
- Babysitting certification course had 20+ kids registered
- Concerts begin next week and will be every Wednesday at 7:00pm for 10 weeks.

D. Parkside Trail Repairs

The front trail is being repaved at Parkside Place. The same company who is paving the roads this year will be responsible for this project (Sucher).

6. Other Business

Golf Outing on June 5th at Cedarbrook Country Club. Mr. Kaker commended Mr. Zumpino for his efforts in securing a \$27,000 grant to go towards lighting the new pickleball courts.

7. Adjournment

Mr. Nagele asked for any further questions or comments. Upon hearing none, Mr. Murray made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Zumpino seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle Dvorchak
Secretary