

**LOWER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP
PARKS & RECREATION
February 18, 2020 MEETING MINUTES**

1) Call to Order

A) Amy Johnston-Smith called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

2) Pledge of Allegiance

3) Roll Call:

A) The following Parks & Recreation board members were in attendance: Ms. Beth Ann Mazza, Mrs. Jean Akers, Mr. John Zollers, Mrs. Erin DiPaolo, Mr. John Neilson, Jr., and Amy Johnson Smith.

B) Also, in attendance: Jane Delaney, Director of Parks & Recreation; Karen Hegedus, Ashmitha Sivakumar, Student Rep., Katherine McGrath, Student Rep., Jeffrey Gong, Student Rep.

4) Meeting Minutes:

A) Review/Approve meeting minutes of January 21, 2020.

I) **MOTION:** Beth Ann Mazza made an amended motion with corrections to approve minutes of January 21, 2020, John Zollers seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.

5) Old Business

A) Open Space Committee – Jean Akers State process is bureaucratic introductions with the State. Administrative steps. The State revised their documents, so we need to update them. By end of March we will have the RFPs out the door to consultants. We need to give consultants 30 days to submit their proposals. As early as April, we should have proposals coming into the Board. Open Space Committee will not meet every month. Next meeting will probably be in April/May.

6) New Business

A) Summer Camp Lil' Perks. Camp Perkiomy and Perkiomy Trailblazers.

Lil' Perks still available spaces

Camp Perkiomy Eagleville – **Sold out**

Camp Perkiomy – Woodland – 30 spaces available

Perkiomy Trailblazers – **Sold out**

Resident – Laura Winslow asked if Worcester was considered residents, which they are not.

Collen Eckman, Board Supervisor, asked about staffing. Which is going well.

Laura Winslow, resident suggested sending Pope John Paul School information.

B) Upcoming Events

(1) Events – Easter Egg Hunt – March 28th and Rain date April 4th, we need volunteers.

(2) Programs – American Red Cross Babysitting Course (Mar 1) and AARP Smart Driver Course (Apr 6)

(3) Bus Trips – Mohegan Sun Casino (Mar 25) and Washington D.C. Cherry Blossoms (Apr 7)

Beth Ann Mazza suggested to contact Shannondell and Providence Place. She also suggested looking into running a trip to Ground for Sculptures.

7) Board Comments

A) Beth Ann Mazza suggested a new small business Creative Splash of Color for a possible outing for camp. They are located at 2790 Egypt Road

B) Erin DiPaolo asked about an update for Red Tail Park, they are reaching out to the Board Supervisor, they are asking for an extension

- C) Jean Akers mentioned the pruning of the crab apple trees. They were not done correctly, so she gave some suggestions to correctly trim trees.
- D) Beth Ann Mazza, we need to plan the park tour. Date to be determined. A second tour to be planned with the Open Space consultant.

8) Supervisor Liaison Report

- A) Collen Eckman spoke for the Board of Supervisors and they suggested that we do something small for Earth Day for the 50th Anniversary. Suggestions were made for at least planting a tree with some of the elementary children. May combine with Arbor Day.
- B) Comments from Resident Laura Winslow wanted info about spotted lantern flies. John Zollers offered park tours.

9) Resident Comments

- A) Tom Bobst, LP Optimist Club will feed the Fortnights of Norristown, this Thursday, February 20th, 2020. Snapology Event on March 7th at the Lower Providence Firehouse from 1pm to 4pm. They will also be coming to our Easter Egg Hunt.
- B) Laura Winslow and Jan Beck, Indian Head Water Shed Association Fishing Derby for kids on Father's Day weekend, June 20th at Hoy Park.

10) Motion to Adjourn

- A) **MOTION:** Mrs. Jean Akers made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Erin DiPaolo seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Next Meeting: March 17, 2020