

**LOWER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP
PARKS & RECREATION
January 19, 2021 MEETING MINUTES**

1) Call to Order

A) Amy Johnston-Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Call to close 7:15

2) Pledge of Allegiance

3) Roll Call:

A) The following Parks & Recreation board members were in attendance: Ms. Beth Ann Mazza, Mrs. Erin DiPaolo, Mr. John Zollers, Mr. Ray Lotfi, Mrs. Michelle Brown, and Jean Akers.

B) Also, in attendance: Jane Delaney, Director of Parks & Recreation, Karen Hegedus, Recreational Superintendent, Student Rep., Jeffrey Gong, Student Rep. Kristen Riddell, Student Rep. Riley McDonald and Student Rep. Parmesh Sivakumar, Mrs. Cara Coless, Board Liaison.

4) Reorganization Meeting

A) Nominate and Elect Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

Ms. Delaney called for a nomination for the position of Chairperson.

(1) **MOTION:** Beth Ann Mazza nominates Amy Johnston-Smith for Chairperson and Erin DiPaolo, seconds. The motion is *passed* 5 – 0.

(2) **MOTION:** Erin DiPaolo nominates Beth Ann Mazza for Vice-Chairperson and, Jean Akers seconds. The motion is *passed* 5-0.

B) **MOTION:** made a motion to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting. Beth Ann Mazza seconded.

5) Meeting Minutes:

A) Review/Approve meeting minutes of December 15th, 2020, with a correction of date of Open Space public meeting.

i) **MOTION:** Erin DiPaolo made a motion to approve minutes of December 15th, 2020, Jean Akers seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0.

6) Old Business

A) Open Space Committee Update – Meeting was on January 6th and the presentation is on the website and there is another virtual meeting scheduled for January 26, 2021 at 7:00pm.

B) Eagle Scout Eric Friend has been working his fundraising and then he will be out to work on the bridge.

C) Caring and Sharing – The donations were the highest in the last 5 years. Thank you to all who helped.

7) New Business

A) Introduction of the new board members: Mr. Ray Lotfi and Ms. Michelle Brown. Supervisor Liaison Cara Coless.

B) Open Space Committee updates – 2nd Public Meeting on January 26, 2021 at 7:00pm.

C) Upcoming Events:

(1) Virtual Snapology

(2) Medicare Options Workshop

(3) Planning stages of a possible modified Summer Camp

(4) Easter Egg Hunt will be modified, using the enclosure for the Bunny. Registration required.

8) Board Comments

A) John Zollers – Looking to schedule volunteers for restoration and cleaning the parks, please contact the Park Board.

B) Amy Johnston Smith – Earth Day events

C) Erin DiPaolo – Possibly money for planting for trees from the tree fund

D) Beth Ann Mazza – Clean-up day for Earth Day

E) Ray Lotfi – commented about the parks and what are objective is as a Park board.

F) Park Board Members introductions

9) Supervisor Liaison Report

- A) Cara Coless, Supervisor. Spoke on the interaction between the Park Board and Board of Supervisors. Suggested members going to the other meetings.

10) Resident Comments

- A) Ken Schreiber, resident. Interested in Open Space update and hopes to attend the meeting next week. Also, helps with the 4th grade environmental club at Eagleville Elementary School. Also, made comments about trees being planted in the township.

11) Motion to Adjourn

- A) **MOTION:** Mrs. Erin DiPaolo made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Beth Ann Mazza seconded the motion. The motion *passed* 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: February 16, 2021