

**PERKASIE BOROUGH PARKS & RECREATION BOARD**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

**September 17th, 2019**

**Perkasie Borough Hall, EMS Room**

**7:00 p.m.**

The monthly meeting of the Perkasie Parks and Recreation Board was called to order at 7:00 pm on September 17th by Megan Prusienski. Members present were Dave Broadbent, Chris Uncango, Bethany Schwendy, Kathy Rocchetti, Lisa Walters, and Samantha Darrell. Staff Present was Megan Prusienski, Director of Parks and Recreation. Those not present: Nelson Hollenbach, Melissa Kilderry, Aaron Clark.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Forum - none

Approval of Meeting Minutes: May 28th, motioned by Lisa, seconded by Chris, all in favor.

**Old Business Updates**

- LBT Feasibility Study will be shared once it is completed. All the research is going into one final report which should be available shortly. Some sketches that showed options for the Multi Modal Trail between 7th and 9th sts have been given to the Borough Manager. This is part of the LBT and will be considered when finalizing the report.
- Spruce Street Swings should be installed in the next few weeks. We also have an Eagle Scout candidate that will be cleaning/repairing the bench/picnic table at Spruce as well as five benches at Kulp Park.
- Summer Program Update – Drama Camp was again very well received. 2020 will be ten years with this particular instructor so we would like to do something special, perhaps have a show for the public on the last day of camps? Engineering for Kids was well received. It is one of the more expensive camps but the attention to detail and intricate robotics they do made it worth it. Thank you to our board member, Lisa, who ran successful Mondays in Menlo programming for the summer of 2019. Lastly, we were unable to run the bus trips this summer to Washington DC and Atlantic City due to lack of registration. We will keep trying again and see the response.

**Reports**

- Park and Recreation Reports: May, June, July, August. No comments.

**New Business**

- Skate Park Fundraising – A few Skate Park designs have been presented to the public works department, all costing different pricing with the more features added. Currently the left side was fixed with council approval for the funding. Now the right side needs some updating. This has been caused due to wear and tear, not vandalism.
- Pool Manager Advertisement was placed this past summer. We have received one application. Manager said to keep it open for at least six months. We hope to have management decisions made in early winter.
- Corporate rate for Perkasie Borough Businesses – the pool currently has two rates for memberships, borough residents and non. The non-resident rate for pool membership is and additional \$30pp. This corporate rate would be something in the middle for those businesses who have a certain amount of employees within their business in the borough. On a motion by Kathy, seconded by Lisa and all in favor, parks and rec will present a mid level fee for businesses with in Perkasie Borough for the 2020 fee schedule.
- Will definitely have a meeting at Menlo for the 2020 year, most likely July meeting.
- Tree City USA Designation is been sought after by the Parks and Recreation Department. Discussion arose as our Park and Rec board would be designated also as a Tree Board to meet the requirements for the Tree City USA designation. On a motion by Bethany, seconded by Dave, all in favor the Parks & Recreation Board will also act as the Tree Board for Perkasie Borough.

- Upcoming Events – Fall fest is Sunday, October 6 from 12-4pm. We are still in need of volunteers for crafts, games, and scarecrow making. The link is on sign up genius and will be forwarded. The Annual Tree lighting is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 7 from 5-8pm and will also need volunteers for various tasks. NY bus trip is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 23 and the Longwood Gardens trip is scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 15.
- Fall programming will now include a couple “school’s out” programs with Engineering for Kids and Kitchen Wizards. We will be offering an etiquette program three Sundays this fall and also a Red Cross Baby Sitter Certification Program.

Other Business and Discussion

- Chris is still working on connecting the folks involved with Middle School Little League and hopes to have a program in motion by 2021. Concerns brought up about the head index for a tournament at the LL field and should the borough call game play if the league does not?
- Discussed how folks are not permitted to solicit or campaign on Perkasio Borough Property and violators will be removed. Signs will be hung at Menlo and future managerial staff will be reminded.
- Vendor Fair was added to extend the weekend of the tree lighting. Will look into getting a choir group to possibly sing songs during shopping hours in the am.

Adjourn: There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm. Motioned by Kathy, seconded by Bethany, all in favor.

Next Meeting: October 15th, 2019 – 7:00 PM at Perkasio Borough Hall.

***“The mission of the Perkasio Park & Recreation Board is to preserve and enhance the park system while planning and supporting events for the benefit and enjoyment of our community.”***