

PERKASIE BOROUGH PARKS & RECREATION BOARD
MINUTES OF THE MEETING, March 15, 2022
Perkasie Borough Hall, 7:00 p.m.

The monthly meeting of the Perkasie Parks and Recreation Board was called to order at 7:04 pm on March 15, 2022 by Lauren Moll. Members present were Dave Broadbent, Robyn Rapp, Kathy Rocchetti, and Lisa Walters. Absent was Emily Greco, Lynne Kallus Rainey, and Bethany Schwendy. Staff Present: Lauren Moll, Director of Parks and Recreation.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Public Forum - none

3. Approval of January 2022 Meeting Minutes – Motioned by Lisa, seconded by Robyn, all in favor.

4. Old Business Updates

- Amphitheater Update
 - Lauren gave an amphitheater update surrounding the upcoming construction of the stairs, ramp, and structure painting. The Summer Concert series and other upcoming programs are slated to start June 15th.
- Recreation Program Update
 - Lauren gave an update on this past winter's programs and upcoming spring programs. Programs discussed included Mad Science camp, ARC Babysitting course, Medicare Workshop, summer camps, and basketball league.
- Scout Projects
 - Perkasie Borough Council approved a butterfly garden scout project on their 3/7 meeting to be located at Perkasie Borough Hall.
- Spring Upcoming Events
 - Upcoming events in the Borough included Celtic Fest, Perkiomen Watershed Clean up, Earth Day, and the Memorial Day Parade and Service.
- Menlo Updates
 - Lauren gave an update on the Menlo staffing situation including all retaining and recruiting techniques, other local pool staffing concerns, and how an additional year of low staffing can affect pool hours and amenities. Questions from the board were addressed included why these positions are no longer popular the way they used to be.

5. Reports

- January 2022 Parks and Recreation Report – no comments
- February 2022 Parks and Recreation Report – no comments

6. New Business

- Tennis Court Renovation
 - Lauren informed the Board that Perkasie Borough Council approved the contract between Perkasie Borough and Keystone Sport Construction for

- \$223,781.44 for the tennis court renovation on 2/21. Lauren gave a review of the project included court information, lighting, and mobilization dates.
- On a motion made by Kathy, seconding by Robyn, all in favor, the Board voted to move forward with green and blue color coating.
 - Local Share Account Statewide Grant
 - Lauren informed the Board that Perkasio Borough applied for \$198,420 in grant funding for the replacement of the Pedestrian Foot Bridge at Lenape Park and the addition of scour countermeasures in the eroded areas. This is a 0% match grant.
 - ARPA Funding
 - Lauren informed the Board that the Finance Committee has been meeting to discuss possible projects to be funded by ARPA funding. Numerous Park and Recreation related projects have been discussed including:
 - Security Upgrades
 - Park camera systems - \$19,750 just for Lenape Park
 - electronic locks on bathrooms (\$2,500 each)
 - Maintenance of trail system
 - Based off 2020 Gilmore Trail survey
 - Level 2 trails: \$162,832.50
 - Level 3 trails: \$177,909.00
 - Pedestrian bridge inspections \$6,000
 - Parking lot improvements and repairs
 - 8th street playground (not the freight house idea)
 - Based off Gilmore estimate not including fencing, lease, groundwork
 - \$25,000-\$60,000
 - Outdoor fitness or additional smaller trail and park features.
 - The Board then discussed possible small trail and park features to be looked into further which included: fitness equipment, charging benches, bike racks specifically at the Pennridge Little League baseball fields, water fountain upgrades, additional signage

7. Other Business and Discussion – none

8. Adjourn: There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm. Motioned by Lisa, seconded by Robyn, all in favor.

Next Meeting: May 17, 2022 – 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.”

Minutes respectfully submitted by
 Robyn Rapp
 Secretary, Perkasio Borough Parks & Recreation Board