UPPER SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING
June 12, 2018

Members Present:
Pat Myers
Rick Grillone
Walt Shead
Dominic Cintofanti

Also Present:
Marian Gilbert, Parks and Rec. Director
Ray Horn, Facilities Coordinator
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The regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board was held on Tuesday, June 12, 2018 in the upstairs meeting room of the Township Building. The meeting was called to order by Pat Myers at 7:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNITY CONCERNS: None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Rick Grillone makes a Motion to approve the Minutes of May 8, 2018. Dominic Cintofanti seconded the Motion. The Motion passed 4-0-0. Judi Braunston was absent.

FINANCIAL REPORT AND BILLS LIST: Brooks Construction, repair on gym roof. Discussion of cable/internet contracts.

FACILITIES COORDINATOR REPORT – Ray

- Had a major water leak at the Community Center, leaking a gallon per minute. Put a brand new water line into the Community Center; was leaking somewhere in the parking lot. Moved the pit closer to the building to run the line parallel to electric and gas lines.
- Cleaning up Pavilion and Lion's Grove areas for summer activities.
- There was another leak up by the Grove Avenue parking lot, leaking a half gallon per minute. Was leaking by the hose bib and looking for another possible leak.
- Grove Avenue parking lot will be repaved next week.

PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT – Marian

- Scheduled a Movie in the Park for July 21st at dusk.
- Had a concert scheduled with the Mango men; will reschedule for August at the Lion's Grove.
- Working on Summer Camp; starts this Monday.
- Ray and Marian participated in the Senior Games at Northampton Township. They were bocce ball ambassadors/judges.

- Camp registrations are going well. Goal was 300 campers, currently around 290. Staff scheduling will be a challenge because of week-to-week camp.
- ACA Accreditation: only failed reporting of absences for Camp. Working on a plan with the parents.
- Getting a lot of Community Service people, total of nine in the past couple of weeks – they have been very helpful with maintenance, etc.
- Called in two Camp staff to help Ray with mulch and cleaning up outside areas.
- Got approval for replacement of one door in the Community Center lobby.
- Nothing new about revamping the Community Center tennis courts for the Community Gardens. Hope to use for Summer Camp – will check with the insurance company to see if it can be used for casual play use. Question about why it can't be used for Pickleball because of safety concerns, but can be used for Camp.
- Marian and Ray were looking into a multi-use type of surface. There are four different types of surfaces that could be placed over the current surface. Marian will investigate the various surfaces that are out there.
- Farmers Market starting June 28th at the Park. Have a little over 20 vendors to date. There was a $3 charge for vendors to register, however, only a few actually registered, so now there is no cost for the vendors. Cindy Humphreys is orchestrating the vendor participation; she is not being paid by the Township. Can sell fruits, vegetables, homemade crafts. They meet in front of the Park office area.
- Victory Gardens – the Supervisors had previously asked the Board to come up with a plan for a community garden. It was discussed at the last meeting and came up with a possible option to use the tennis courts. It is the consensus of the board not to pursue the project until a feasibility study for cost and location can be done. At this point the Board is not interested in pursuing a community garden, but possibly in the future.

Inquiries made by Pat Myers:

- December 13, 2016, financial report – Tri-State Engineering Community Center assessment/survey around the gym was done. Is there a survey? It was never received. Marian will email it to the Board.
- The tennis courts at Tamanend Park were recently cleaned.
- Northampton 18966 Zip Code – sometimes they receive the Upper Southampton Newsletter. Ray spoke to the Postmaster and he said there was nothing they can do to change the computer program – when you click a certain street you must deliver to the whole area.
- Handout: Peer-To-Peer Study done by Susan Lohaufer, Upper Dublin Park and Rec. Director.
- Facebook Page – Marian had said the Facebook page would be up by June 1st. She said the Township has their own Facebook page so Parks and Rec. cannot have their own. All township departments must go through the Township Facebook Page. Marian has been posting on the Township Facebook Page.
- Geo-Caching: Tried several times, it does not go. There are about 12 caches currently in the Park. You must be part of a geo-caching group, it cannot be publicized in a Newsletter. Discussion.
- Is there information about the disc golf in the new Newsletter? We have one of the biggest disc golf courses in the area.
- Tax Day 5K did not go.
- Tennis Lessons: Will be in the next Newsletter. We have two tennis instructors and one Pickleball instructor. Will offer free clinics prior to the lessons in the Fall. Pat would like to

see it offered in the Spring, as well. Has Marian been in touch with the Bucks County Tennis Association? Not recently.

- Bus Trips: No longer being offered because we couldn't fill the buses and it became too expensive. Karl Rahmer offered to help with bus trips; Marian has never heard of him.
- 40th Anniversary of TP Day was not publicized enough. Marian asked Pat to find email that she had notified her to do the publicity. Pat said she had given her the information.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT:
A Motion was made by Dominic Cintofanti to adjourn the meeting. The Motion was seconded by Walt Shead. The Motion Passed 4-0-0 – Judi Braunston was absent. The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Tomko, Recording Secretary