Park and Recreation Board June 14, 2021 Meeting Minutes

The June 14, 2021 public meeting of the Upper Makefield Township Park and Recreation Board was called to order by Chair Bill Hoefer at 7:30 p.m. at Brownsburg Park, 1455 River Road, New Hope, PA. In attendance were the following members of the Park and Recreation Board: Chair Bill Hoefer, Vice Chair Robert Rupp, Member Andy Reiss and Member Debbie Stasolla. Members Maryann Chibbaro and Jim Pearsall were not present. Also in attendance were Assistant Manager Judy Caporiccio and Supervisor Liaison Tom Cino.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Stasolla and was seconded by Mr. Reiss to approve the April 12, 2021 minutes. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Patriot FC Summer Camp Request

Ms. Caporiccio outlined a request from Patriot FC to hold a soccer camp at Brownsburg Park on the following dates: July 1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27 (makeup day July 29) from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Discussion followed and a motion was made by Mr. Rupp and seconded by Ms. Stasolla to approve the Patriot FC Summer Camp Request, as presented. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Brownsburg Park Field Sign

Ms. Caporiccio referenced the field sign at Brownsburg Park which was built as an Eagle Scout project several years ago. The wood sign is showing signs of significant deterioration and will be removed for safety reasons. The roof structure covering the sign will remain. Discussion about various options followed. This item will be addressed at a future time.

Lookout Park Entrance Improvements

Mr. Rupp shared pictures of the Lookout Park entrance and suggested consideration of enhancements and/or landscaping to encourage visitors to utilize the newly expanded trail and park features. The July Park & Recreation Board meeting will be held at Lookout Park to further review and discuss potential entrance improvements.

Other Business

Ms. Caporiccio provided the following updates:

- The Lookout Park restroom was recently vandalized and required professional cleaning.
- Public Works Department staff removed the scoreboard sign/posts by the Lookout Park softball field, which had deteriorated beyond repair; removed two dead trees by the batting cages, replaced faded signs, installed playground mulch, trimmed bamboo, repaired potholes and trimmed for site distance.
- Public Works Department staff installed playground mulch and mats at Brownsburg Park, replaced signs and repaired posts.
- Brownsburg Park pavilion rentals are up significantly this year.
- Spotted lanternfly traps are installed at both parks for both practical and educational purposes.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Reiss and was seconded by Ms. Stasolla to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Capariccio
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Assistant Township Manager

Approved: July 12, 2021