

**UPPER MAKEFIELD TOWNSHIP
PARK AND RECREATION BOARD
Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2010**

Present: Chair Jim Pearsall, Vice Chair Randy Reardon, Member Donna DeSimone, Member Tom Kovacevich, Member Eileen Sichel and Member Dawn Wyatt. Member Tom Kovalcik was absent. Also in attendance were Supervisor Liaison Tom Cino and Cathy Magliocchetti of Upper Makefield-Newtown Soccer Club.

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Mr. Reardon and seconded by Ms. Sichel to approve the minutes of September 13, 2010. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Brownsburg Park Field Maintenance – UMNSC

Cathy Magliocchetti made a presentation on behalf of Upper Makefield-Newtown Soccer Club to address Brownsburg Park field conditions and maintenance concerns. She represented the club at an on-site meeting with the Township Manager, Township Engineer, Township staff and members of the Park and Recreation Board to point out areas of concern. There was agreement that Fields 4 and 5 began to show signs of improvement, prior to this year's drought, after being closed for additional maintenance in Fall 2009. Below are UMNSC's requests to address field maintenance:

2010 - apply additional mulch to existing layer on Field 3; add mulch to Fields 1, 2, 4, 5 after fall soccer season ends

2011- UMNSC will augment township maintenance in coordination with the township landscaper; seeding and triple field aeration in spring; close Fields 1-5 for Spring 2011

Following discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Reardon and seconded by Ms. Wyatt that the soccer club and the Park and Recreation Board recognize that the poor conditions are due to the drought. They recommend a proactive solution by adding leaf mulch to Fields 1-5 after the 2010 soccer season concludes (with UMNSC assisting with the application if needed); seeding and triple aeration in the early spring 2011; closing Fields 1-5 to organized play until fields are evaluated in mid summer for Fall 2011 use. In addition, UMNSC will provide to the township a field watering schedule for 2011. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Columbus Day Soccer Tournament

In response to flooding and damage to the Brownsburg Park pavilion restrooms during the YMS Columbus Day Soccer Tournament, a motion was made by Ms. Wyatt and

seconded by Ms. DeSimone to request that the Township Manager write a letter to YMS outlining the damages to the building and requesting reimbursement for the repairs. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Other Business

The Township portion of the Lookout Park public/private partnership projects with UMYBL (batting cage ground preparation and picnic area installation) are out to bid, and the storage shed has been ordered.

Mr. Pearsall suggested that in 2011, the Park and Recreation Board consider hosting various seasonal community events at the park, such as a Halloween parade.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Reardon and seconded by Ms. DeSimone to adjourn at 8:59 pm. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Caporiccio

Approved: December 13, 2010