

## **Park and Recreation Board**

### **April 11, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

The April 11, 2022 public meeting of the Upper Makefield Township Park and Recreation Board was called to order by member Robert Rupp at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were the following members of the Park and Recreation Board: Chair Robert Rupp, Vice Chair Debbie Stasolla, Member Kathryn Benson, Member Lynn Geiszler, and Member Joe Weiss. Member Andy Reiss attended by video. Also in attendance were Assistant Manager Judy Caporiccio and Supervisor Liaison Tom Cino.

Members of the public were also in attendance.

#### **New Member Introduction and Welcome**

Kathryn Benson, Lynn Geiszler and Joe Weiss were introduced and welcomed to the Park & Recreation Board. A history of the development of Township facilities was provided as well as an overview of the board's advisory role, processes and park & recreation budgets for maintenance and capital projects. Each member was provided a binder with related background.

#### **Public Comment**

Supervisor Tim Thomas thanked the Board volunteers for their time and contributions to the Township. He then noted how frequently the tennis courts are used and the potential scheduling challenges that could be created if tennis/pickleball uses were combined on the same court. Mr. Thomas also commented on the significant improvements that have been made to the soccer fields over many years due to the combined efforts of Patriot FC and the Township, and he encouraged continued maintenance.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Ms. Stasolla and was seconded by Mr. Weiss to approve the March 14, 2022 minutes. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

#### **Lookout Park Entrance Improvement Update**

Mr. Rupp provided a summary of discussions leading to park landscape and fencing improvements for the new members. The project is tentatively set to begin at the end of April, weather-permitting.

#### **Resident Survey Discussion**

Mr. Rupp provided background on the resident survey noting that it was intended to gather community input on improvements and will be used as a tool to help guide future projects. The Board suggested an eNews article, based on some comments submitted through the survey, to help educate the community about what entities have purview over which resources and parks located in Upper Makefield.

During further discussion, Mr. Rupp explained the subcommittees will be assigned to research potential projects for Board review and discussion.

Mr. Reiss was excused from the meeting at 8:44 p.m.

#### **Meeting Locations – May 9 and June 13**

Consensus of the Board was to hold the May 9 meeting at Brownsburg Park and the June 13 meeting at Lookout Park.

#### **Other Business**

Ms. Caporiccio announced that the EAC will participate with other local municipalities in an Earth Day event at Core Creek Park on Saturday, April 23 from 11-2.

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Ms. Benson and was seconded by Mr. Weiss to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

*Judy Caporiccio*

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Approved: May 16, 2022