

Meeting Notes: Tuesday, November 13th, 2018

A meeting of the Doylestown Township Park and Recreation Board was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 13th, 2018 at the Doylestown Township Administrative Trailer-Conference Room

- <u>In attendance</u>: John Bray, Blythe Kelly, Dr. Janice Solkov, Paul DiNella, Kathy Brown, Karen Sweeney-Director of Parks and Recreation & Jennifer Herring- BOS Liaison
- Absent: Robert Salanik and Susan Reichwein
- <u>Guests</u>: Stephanie Mason-Township Manager , Kaitlyn Finley-Parks and Recreation Program Coordinator & Joe Salvati-Kids Castle

Meeting Notes July 10th, 2018

The meeting notes were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr.DiNella and a second by Ms. Brown

Visitors: None

Correspondence: None.

Plans: Doylestown Walk: Upon reviewing the submitted land development plans this board finds no specific Park & Rec concern and therefore, recommends fee in lieu.

Updates:

<u>Community Building Update:</u> Mr. Bray informs this board that he met with the developer of Tabor House to discuss building a Community Building on this property.

The consideration would be for this developer to construct the building and the Township to rent it at ~\$220,000 per year (based on an estimated \$20/ sqft) on a 5-year lease. Mr. Bray indicates that this may be a reasonable second option other than the Township building a \$2+million building in Central Park. Mr. Bray also met with the Ways and Means Committee who seem to agree that this lease option may be a feasible option. Mr. Bray continues that this lease option may also be a good solution as our lack of space in Central Park is a concern.

Mr. Bray also explains that he had requested debt service to pay for this community building and that it was rejected for the 2019 budget. Therefore, any recommendation for building a Community Building could possibly be delayed for another year.

It is determined that the P&R Board sub-committee meeting with the Ways & Means committee will be held on December 3rd to further discuss the lease or build cost options.

Mr. DiNella recommends hiring a consultant to determine the best feasible location to build a Community Building.

Ms. Mason suggests that placing the Community Building closer to New Britain Road's utility connection would cut site costs and keep that location as an option. Ms. Mason also reminds this board that the BOS wants to see options from us.

This Board recommends that Ms. Mason ask Rob Gallant to provide us with a cost to hire him to consult and perform a professional analysis of the Community Building site options, feasibility, and site cost that we can present to the BOS.

It is determined that there are five Community Building site options:

*Build the 11,000 sqft Community Building in the three park locations of either the tennis courts, Central Park Field 3, or New Britain Road.

*The option to lease at Tabor House

*Build a smaller Community Building at New Britain Road, closer to the road.

This Board will ask Mr. Gallant to provide us with a site cost option for each of the five options listed above.

Kids Castle: Due to time constraints, we will discuss this at our next meeting.

Other Business: Ms. Sweeney asks this Board if we have any interest in submitting articles for the upcoming Township Newsletter. No interest was shown.

Upon review of our upcoming 2019 meeting dates, Dr. Solkov suggests we adjust the October 8th meeting date as this is a holiday.

***Adjournment:** Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm on a motion by Ms. Brown and a second by Mr. Dinella with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted by: Blythe Kelly Doylestown Park and Recreation Board

Approved: _____