



DOYLESTOWN TOWNSHIP PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

Meeting Notes: Tuesday, February 13th 2018

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

- In attendance: John Bray, Blythe Kelly, Dr. Janice Solkov, Paul DiNella, Susan Reichwein, Robert Salanik, & Jennifer Herring- BOS Liaison
- Absent: Kathy Brown, Vijay Balaji- Youth Member, & Karen Sweeney-Director of Parks and Recreation
- Guests: Joe Salvati-Kids Castle, Kaitlyn Finley-Program Coordinator of Parks and Recreation, Rick Colello-BOS

Meeting Notes January 9th, 2018

The meeting notes, after amendments were noted, were unanimously approved on a motion by Dr. Solkov and a second by Ms. Reichwein.

Visitors: 2 Boy scouts, looking to obtain credit for their "Citizenship into the Community" project

Correspondence: None

Plans: Preserve at Burke Farm: Mr. Bray, along with the rest of the Board, have reviewed the plans submitted. The Board finds that a trail is already present at this site and that there is no further opportunity for Park & Rec improvement on this site. The Board unanimously approved a request for a "fee in lieu" of recreation.

Updates:

DCNR Grant – the committee received notice of the receipt of a \$ 10,000 grant from the Penna. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) to assist in the a plan update for the township Comprehensive Recreation, Park and Open Space Plan.

Township Building & Activity Center/ Recreation Building Construction Update:

Mr. Bray, along with the rest of the board, agree that we need to work on finishing the schematic design and create a building that will pay for itself around our predicted user fees. Additionally, we this board will establish a subcommittee to work with the Ways and Means Committee on this project. Mr. Bray, Ms. Reichwein & Mr. DiNella all volunteer to work on this subcommittee

Additionally, our board reviews some probable building plans presented by Mr. Bray. Ms. Herring suggests that we need a timeframe for this project. Mr. Bray indicates that our goal is to present the business and design plans, to the Ways and Means Committee, by the end of April 2018. These plans will later be presented to the BOS.

Bicentennial project: Our board members offer suggestions as to our board's plan for this project. Mr. Salvati suggests that our board incorporate our plan to coincide with the July fireworks celebration. Ms. Reichwein suggests perhaps we host a farmers market the same day prior to the fireworks. (cont.)

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Dr. Solkov suggests presenting a movie or concert with a commemorative theme.

Ms. Kelly suggests placement of a sculpture or bench in Central Park.

The visiting boy scouts suggest that the picnic area adjacent to Kids Castle is in need of a shaded section, perhaps a pergola.

Ms. Kelly questions if our board has a budget for this project. Mr. Bray responds that we are in need of sponsorship.

Mr. Bray suggests that we visit this picnic area site to determine the need for additional seating and coverings. Additionally, we will need to consult with the EAC to determine if there is any shade trees or plantings that may provide natural coverage to the area.

Mr. Bray suggest that we revisit this idea and agree on a plan at next month's meeting.

Kids Castle: Mr. Salvati informs the board that everything is going well at the Castle. Mr. Tomko has secured two engineering firms to volunteer for prep work and planning of the new grant area.

Mr. Salvati also informs the board that he has secured one \$10K donation commitment for the play piece. However, they are still in need of 3 more \$10K donations for a total of \$40K needed to complete this project.

2018 Goals: Mr. Bray reviews this board's 2018 goals.

*Most achievable goal- A new play surface at Turk park

*2nd goal-A timeline for the master plan for Turk park

*3rd goal-Meet with the County to discuss the Turk park lease. Mr. Bray has received the leases and will review them for further discussion at our next board meeting.

Other Business: None

***Adjournment:** Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 pm on a motion by Mr. Salanik and a second by Mr. DiNella, with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted by:

Blythe Kelly

Doylestown Park and Recreation Board

Approved: _____