

**Friends of Kids Castle**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, January 27, 2020 - 12:30pm**

**In Attendance:** Joe Salvati; Kevin Kane; Tina Mazaheri; Dave Tomko, Director of Operations; Karen Sweeney, Director of Parks and Recreations; Stephanie Mason, Township Manager and Kenneth Wallace, Finance Director.

**Welcome:** Mr. Salvati welcomed all of the attendees to the meeting.

**Reorganization:**

Selection of Chairman:

Consensus of the committee was to have Joe Salvati serve as Chairman for 2020.

**Advisors Reports:** Mr. Salvati provided an update on the Kids Castle Inclusive Improvement Project, details on the next planned work for the playground and what would be needed from the Township so the FKC Committee could make a Fundraising goal plan for 2020.

Mr. Tomko indicated that the Public Works Staff completed work on the Kids Castle Inclusive Improvement Project at the end of 2019, which included a larger collection of new inclusive play pieces and poured-in-place safety surfacing. General maintenance will continue regarding the playground.

Mr. Salvati and Mr. Wallace both confirmed the final invoice amounts due for the entire Kids Castle Improvement Project and agreed to how they would be paid.

**Event Updates:** Mr. Salvati reviewed the December event in which Santa Claus came to Kids Castle. He indicated that it was a very successful event and appreciated all the hard work volunteers, the Township and Sponsors did to make it happen. He acknowledged all that freely gave of their time including Rick Schea for securing the fire Engine that Santa road in on and Chief Logan for providing Sgt. Shawn Magee for the day, who helped with getting Santa Claus safely to and from the Castle and back to his reindeer after the event concluded. A good time was had by all.

**New Business:** DCNR Grant Closeout – Mr. Salvati requested that Mr. Tomko work with Mr. Wallace on the closeout of the DCNR Grant for Kids Castle. He indicated once the final Grant funds are reimbursed, additional projects will be able to begin at Kids Castle.

Those in attendance discussed the Kids Castle Playground and future improvements that are part of the established plan; such as improvements to the 2 to 5-year-old tot area and the 3-Bay Swings area. Both areas are targeted for Poured-in-Place Safety surfacing and other improvements. These projects will need further fundraising in 2020.

Mr. Salvati requested that Mr. Tomko start preparing cost estimates for the 2 to 5-year-old play area and the 3-Bay Swing area so that the FKC Committee could calculate a realistic fundraising goal and establish a plan to get the job done. Mr. Tomko agreed to get those figures.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:30pm.

The next scheduled meeting of the Friends of Kids Castle is on Monday, April 27, 2020 at 12:30pm.