

Montgomery Township Park and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes for November 11th, 2020

The November 2020 monthly meeting of the Montgomery Township Park and Recreation Board was held on Wednesday, November 11th, 2020 in the Montgomery Township Community and Recreation Center. The members of the Park and Recreation Board in attendance included: Mary Beth Meehan, Linda Brooks, Angelo Grasso, Al Quasti, and Kim Greene. Also in attendance were; Matthew Quigg, Board Liason, Greg Reiff, Parks Foreman, and Floyd Shaffer Community & Recreation Center Director.

November 2020 Regular Monthly Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board was called to order by Chairperson Mary Beth Meehan at 7:34pm. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Linda Brooks made a motion to accept the minutes as presented and Angelo Grasso seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Richard Fusco, 109 Gwynmont Dr. North Wales 19454, was present. He presented comprehensive a proposal to bring the sport of Bocce to Montgomery Township.

His various programs in the surrounding area. Mr. Fusco indicated that Bethlehem Township would be an ideal location for a Bocce facility. He stated that the sport is all-inclusive. Teenagers through Senior Citizens enjoy the activity that promotes friendly competition and FUN. Mr. Fusco indicated that the facilities in Bridgeport and East Norriton are two sites that are "model" bocce courts located close to Montgomery Township.

Mr. Fusco proposed the possibility of surveying Township residents as to the interest in a Bocce program. Mr. Shaffer indicated that a survey during 2021 would be an excellent starting point to "test the waters" with regards to a bocce program. Survey......

PARK ACTIVITY REPORTS

• Linda Brooks discussed disc golf expansion throughout Windlestrae. She is worried about damaging the inner forest that exists in the park. Linda favors preserving the "unique environment that exists throughout thepark.

PUBLIC WORKS/PARKS DEPARTMENT REPORT

Mr. Reiff updated the construction progress at Friendship Park. He also indicated that the usage of all Montogmery Township parks has increased tremendously during the past year. Ourdoor recreation has become a popular activity since the onset of COVID-19. The October/November Parks Department update was distributed to the Committee members.

RECREATION UPDATE

Mr. Shaffer briefly discussed ongoing and upcoming recreation programs/activities as well as some of the new concepts for winter 2021. The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic continues to have a tremendous impact on all indoor recreation activity in the Township since March. The Board was provided with a copy of the October/November Recreation update.

NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

New business was discussed during the Public Comment section of the meeting

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on a motion by Ms. Greene and second by Mr. Quasti, the meeting was adjourned at 8:46pm.

The next meeting of Parks and Recreation Board will take place on Wednesday January 13, 2021 at 7:30PM.

Submitted by: Floyd S. Shaffer, Community and Recreation Center Director