

**Minutes of the Open Space Park and Recreation Board
Upper Pottsgrove Township**

June 13, 2017

A meeting of the Open Space Park and Recreation Board was held on Tuesday, June 13, 2017. Those present were Dennis Elliot, Chuck Note, Michelle Reddick, Chris Delp and Nancy Toothaker. Also present was Carol R. Lewis, Township Manager. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Dennis Elliott.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Those present pledged their allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion by M. Reddick second by N. Toothaker and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2017 meeting with two changes. One change under “Maintenance” change had to may have and under “Board Comments” M. Reddick agreed to take care of this.

OLD BUSINESS:

ARCHERY HUNT – The archery hunt will be promoted via Face book and the website. The Board discussed the stewardship assessment for Hollenbach Park where they found an overabundance of deer population. As this is an actively used area it cannot be part of the Archery Hunt.

FISH RODEO – At this time there are only three registrants. The Board discussed the timing and felt it could be due to the fact that it is Father’s Day weekend. It was decided to cancel/postpone the event and redo it in early spring.

PARK CONTEST 2017 – This will be held July of 2017. There are two learning at lunch events scheduled. All members of the Open Space Board members were encouraged to register for the Park Contest and to get their friends and neighbors to register as well. The parameters of the contest were discussed.

COMMUNITY DAYS – M. Reddick reported that there is a Committee meeting on June 26th at 6:30 pm. Sherry Paup has volunteered to join the Committee. C. Note asked M. Reddick to take over chair of Community Day and she has agreed. All members were urged to put the date on their calendar to make sure they are available to help on September 23, 2017. They will advertise for volunteers and the event will be in the Newsletter.

ATHLETIC FIELDS – Pottsgrove Little League has requested to be allowed to install water in one of the dugouts for the purpose of watering the dirt infield. C. Note does not see a problem but he would request a snap hydrant be installed for security reasons. N. Toothaker asked what the water supply was and would it affect the water table? C. Lewis reported that it would be a very small amount of water used. C. Delp felt that if they installed it he would have no problem with it. Motion by C. Note second by C. Delp and unanimously carried, to allow Pottsgrove Little League to install a snap hydrant and provide a key to the township.

PAINTING OF SIGN POSTS – H. Miller has painted many of the sign posts already. M. Reddick and N. Toothaker will paint the sign posts at Heather Place after 4:30pm on Friday weather permitting.

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VETERAN'S MEMORIAL – D. Elliott updated the Board on what the Committee is looking at. They are considering a marble monument on a cement pad off of the pavilion. They discussed funding of the project.

NEW BUSINESS

ACTIVITIES – D. Elliott suggested that the Open Space and Rec Board develop an activity calendar. C. Delp suggested that they develop a survey to find out what the residents want to have. It could be promoted at the next election polls, at Community Days and put in the Newsletter. M. Reddick advised the Board that they were not planning on doing the Car Show this year due to the fact that both she and Larry Hanna felt that they did what was asked and did not get great feedback from the Commissioners or the Open Space Board. They may do it next year. They had discussed reconfiguring the event to put the yard sale in the front and the cars in the back so that the yard salers would get more traffic.

MOVIE NIGHT – C. Delp pointed out that Green Lane Park and Upper Salford have movie nights and they get a great turn out. C. Lewis cautioned that in order to do this they will need a license to show the movies. N. Toothaker suggested that they allow the residents to brainstorm and come up with ideas and then the Open Space Committee can execute them. C. Delp suggested fireworks but this would not be practical due to the amount of liability insurance needed.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion by M. Reddick, seconded by C. Note and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol R. Lewis, Township Manager