PERKASIE BOROUGH PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MINUTES OF THE MEETING, April 18, 2023 Perkasie Borough Hall, 7:00 p.m.

The monthly meeting of the Perkasie Parks and Recreation Board was called to order at 7:05 pm on April 18, 2023 by Lauren Moll. Members present were Dave Broadbent, Lynne Kallus Rainey, Kathy Rocchetti, Bethany Schwendy, and Lisa Walters. Absent was Emily Greco and Robyn Rapp. Staff Present: Lauren Moll, Director of Parks and Recreation.

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. <u>Public Forum</u> none
- 3. <u>Approval of January 2023 Meeting Minutes</u> Motioned by Kathy, seconded by Lisa, all in favor.

4. Old Business

- Lenape Park LED Sign
 - Lauren gave an update on the status of the LED sign. Currently in the permitting stage, waiting on signed and sealed drawings to send.
- 2022 DCED Grant Applications
 - Lauren gave an update on the 2022 DCED grant applications that Borough applied for. The Borough was awarded \$99,210 through the LSA grant for the pedestrian bridge in Lenape Park. The Borough was not awarded the MTF grant for the Park Avenue project. The Borough has already been looking into other funding opportunities for Park Avenue.
- Kulp Park Renovation Project
 - Lauren gave an update on the Kulp Park Renovation Project including site drawings done by Borough engineers and grant applications the Borough have and will be applying for.
- Earth Day 2023
 - The Board reviewed the upcoming Park Clean up including requested supplies, drop off points, and clean-up plan for that day.
- Programming 2023
 - Lauren gave an update on recreational programming offered so far this year as well as upcoming programs. The Board offered additional ideas on different types of programming that the community could be interested in.

5. Reports

- January 2023 Park and Recreation Report no comment
- February 2023 Park and Recreation Report no comment
- March 2023 Park and Recreation Report no comment

6. New Business

- Menlo 2023
 - Lauren gave an update on the hiring of part time seasonal staff and a full time
 Aquatic Facilities & Program Manager that is due to start on 5/1. Also, reviewed

was programs and events scheduled this season.

- Park and Recreation Sponsorships
 - Lauren explained that the Community Development Department sent out sponsorship opportunities earlier in the year which included the large community events as well as some smaller park and recreation programs. With a full time, Aquatics employee, the Park and Rec Department is interested in looking for additional small programming sponsors to offer free programs in July for Park and Rec Month.
- Park and Recreation Board Program and/or Event
 - The Board discussed an idea of looking for an annual signature program or event organized, and run by the Board. Ideas surrounded some other local municipalities and things run by their boards.
- Community Garden
 - Lauren gave an update on the community garden including unused plots, our community tiller, and ways to utilize the garden better. The Board suggested reaching out to local churches and school food services.
- Summer Basketball League
 - Lauren gave an update on team sales, teams hesitant to join causing delays, and that our league organizer has indicated this may be her last year. Discussion sounded the idea the league may be too competitive and more of the community may be interested in a more recreation league instead.
- May Meeting Date Reschedule
 - The original May meeting date falls on voting day. Lisa made a motion to move the May Park and Rec Board meeting to Tuesday, May 9, 2023. Seconded by Bethany. All in favor.
- 7. Other Business and Discussion none
- 8. <u>Adjourn</u>: There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm. Motioned by Kathy, seconded by Lisa, all in favor.

Next Meeting: May 9, 2023 – 7:00 PM at Perkasie Borough Hall.

"The mission of the Perkasie Park & Recreation Board is to preserve and enhance the park system while planning and supporting events for the benefit and enjoyment of our community."

Minutes respectfully submitted by Robyn Rapp Secretary, Perkasie Borough Parks & Recreation Board