## PERKASIE BOROUGH PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MINUTES OF THE MEETING, May 9, 2023 Perkasie Borough Hall, 7:00 p.m.

The monthly meeting of the Perkasie Parks and Recreation Board was called to order at 7:03 pm on May 9, 2023 by Lauren Moll. Members present were Dave Broadbent, Kathy Rocchetti, Robyn Rapp, and Lisa Walters. Absent was Emily Greco, Lynne Kallus Rainey, and Bethany Schwendy. Staff Present: Lauren Moll, Director of Parks and Recreation, and Dave Worthington, Perkasie Borough Councilman.

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Public Forum none
- 3. <u>Approval of April 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. The Borough has received signed and sealed drawings and therefore submitted for our building permits which can take up to 30 days for review. Once approved we are good to move forward. Timeline for fabrication and installation is 4-6weeks.
- Kulp Park Renovation Project
  - Lauren gave an update on the Kulp Park Renovation Project. The Borough is working on second grant application through PA Department of Community & Economic Development which is due May 31<sup>st</sup>. This grant has a max of \$250,000 with a 15% match required.
- Earth Day 2023 Review
  - Lauren thanked the Board members that assisted with the Park Clean Up and explained the both the clean up and event were a success with positive feedback from the community and volunteers.
- Park and Recreation Sponsorships
  - Lauren explained that there was no update but is looking to separate and create a new sponsorship brochure for Park and Recreation programs and events geared toward smaller business with more possible in-kind sponsorships. Kathy suggested it be open to personal sponsorships as well.

## 5. New Business

- Menlo Update
  - Lauren gave an update on the hiring of staff and the opening of the facility including the installation of the VGBA covers purchased by Borough Council through ARPA funding and current membership sales status. The department is working on promotion of programs and events as well we upcoming staff trainings.
- Programming Update
  - Lauren gave a Spring programming update. All ages of Multi Sport Sundays are running now through June. The department also partnered with local coaches

and teachers to offer a new sports camp and due to the lateness of this camp gave the Board flyers to help promote as they see fit.

- Park and Recreation Board Program and/or Event
  - The Board continued discussions on a possible annual event. Kathy supplied information from the Borough of Emmaus on their Paint a Hydrant Program. Questions arose and the board felt there may be too many possible matters to address for an event like this this year. Other possible events discussed were a Chalk Walk art project in the park.
- Reservations in Borough parks
  - Lauren gave updates regarding new reservation formats, signage, and amenities in the park system such as online request, QR codes, and automatic lock restrooms. Board members Brough up trash in the parks and the amount of trash cans. The department is looking into the amount of trash and ways to address it. Discussion then surrounded the possible rentals of the amphitheater and policies and procedures that will need to be put in place to ensure the passive use of the park, the amount of exemplified noise, and types of rentals. Kathy suggested limiting to businesses only and not individual rentals. Lisa suggested limiting the rental availability and types of use to start.
- Winter Bus Trip
  - The board discussed possible winter bus trip ideas including a On Your Own in NYC, winter Longwood Gardens, and/or winter Dupont Estate trips. Lauren will look into the option of a winter trip but in November depending on when NYC decorates for the holidays.
- Volunteer program and event opportunities
  - Lauren gave an update on going live with a Sign-Up Genius for volunteer opportunities for the board to cover small and large programs and events throughout the year.
- 7. Other Business and Discussion Kathy gave positive feedback regarding PTIA's Porch Fest that happened in late April. Discussion also surrounded Summer Concert Series and food served in the parks.
- 8. <u>Adjourn</u>: There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm. Motioned by Lisa, seconded by Kathy, all in favor.

Next Meeting: June 20, 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