UPPER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD (PRB) MEETING

Monday November 3, 2020 Minutes 7:00 P.M. on ZOOM and in person

1. Call to Order

Rob Nagele Chairperson Amy Juarez Member Corey Lippert Member Mike Zumpino Member John Murray Member Kathleen Johnson Member Kathy Murphy Member Ruth Damsker **Board Liaison** Denise Hull **Board Member**

Sarah Prebis Director of Parks & Recreation
Angelina Capozzi P & R Program Coordinator

2. Approval of Minutes from the meeting held on Monday, September 21, 2020

Mr. Nagele asked for any questions and corrections relative to the meeting minutes of September 21, 2020. A motion was made by Mr. Zumpino to approve the minutes and seconded by Mr. Murray. A motion to approve the September 21, 2020 meeting minutes was unanimously approved.

3.Introduction of Kathy Murphy, the newest member of the Park Board. The Board welcomed her.

4. **Public Comments**

There were none.

5. Old Business

A. Drive in Movie/ Hayride 2020

Unfortunately, due to the weather, it was cancelled. The movie will move to Spring/Summer 2021 and the hayride will be included in the 2021 Fall Fest.

B. Golf Outing 2020

Ms. Prebis gave the group an update of the day's events. It was a great event that brought 104 golfers out (only 4 did not show up.) It drizzled all day, but the golfers seemed eager to be there. Mr. Lippert played in the tournament and stated it was a nice course and he would have never been able to play on it, if he didn't join this Outing. Ms. Hull spoke about how fun of an event it was with people buying 50/50 tickets, raffle prize tickets, mulligans and yard sticks. Mr. Lippert mentioned that the gentleman that won the 50/50 raffle, Duncan Reed, gave it all back to the township. Ms. Prebis thanked all that helped, sponsored and golfed.

6. **New Business**

A. Holiday Lights 2020

Ms. Prebis mentioned that the idea of the "drive through or walk through" Holiday Lights couldn't work because we have no electric throughout the park. It was suggested we use the pavilion and amphitheater. We will create a "candy cane lane" to connect those 2 venues. We are going to contact Diz Dogs to hand out Hot chocolate and a treat to each person attending. We will also have a person to keep count of the people, not to exceed 250. Ms. Capozzi will take care of the gingerbread house contest. We will also try to bring in a Brass Band as entertainment and bring in the Horse and Carriage rides. Ms. Juraez will contact the schools to see if they will come perform. Everyone agreed this we will also require a "Toys for Tots" donation as entry fee and will try to promote this more than in 2019, as we did not receive too many donations last year.

B. Wrap up 2020

It was agreed upon that 2020 was a crazy year. With the support of the Park Board and Board of Commissioners, the Park and Recreation department made the best of it. Mr. Nagele stated that UG was one of the only township's that was trying to continue to have some sort of events for their residents. Ms. Juarez stated that all the mother groups she's in contact with were impressed by UG and their efforts. Ms. Damsker applauded the Upper Gwynedd Park and Recreation Department on how well they tried to still recreate with online programs and other little activities for the residents while in quarantine.

C. Newsletter Winter/Spring 2021

Ms. Prebis explained that she and Ms. Capozzi are planning for 2021 with a new virtual program and in person programs moving forward, while still following the guidelines from the Governor. The first big event for 2021 will be opening the Community Garden followed by Bag Bingo. Programs will start again in January 2021.

7. Other Business

A. Trails

Mr. Zumpino asked about how the trails were coming along. Ms. Prebis gave an update. We are waiting for PECO to give us the green light to go ahead with the Powerline Trail. At that time, UG and the Michael Baker firm will start the planning process. As for the Liberty Bell Trail, we are waiting for TCDI to get us a contract. Once the contract is received and approved by the Upper Gwynedd BOC, we will start advertising and interviewing for firms to complete the trail study.

B. Mural

We are back on schedule with the Mural for the Community Center. Ms. Prebis has been in contact with the student who is creating it for us, and she will be starting on it immediately.

8. Call for Adjournment

Mr. Nagle asked for any further questions or comments. Upon hearing none, Mr. Murray made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Ms. Johnson and passed unanimously.