

UPPER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP
PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD (PRB) MEETING
Monday May 11, 2020
Minutes
7:00 P.M. on ZOOM and in person

1. Call to Order

Rob Nagele	Chairperson
Matt Duardo	Member
Amy Juarez	Member
Corey Lippert	Member
Mike Zumpino	Member
John Murray	Member
Kathleen Johnson	Member
Sarah Prebis	Director of Parks & Recreation
Angelina Capozzi	P & R Program Coordinator

2. Approval of Minutes from the meeting held on Monday, May 11, 2020

Mr. Nagele asked for any questions and corrections relative to the meeting minutes of May 11, 2020. A motion was made by Mr. Murray to approve the minutes and seconded by Ms. Johnson. A motion to approve the May 11, 2020 meeting minutes was unanimously approved.

3. Public Comments

There were none.

4. Old Business

A. Spring 2020

Ms. Prebis gave an update of what programs had to be cancelled due to COVID-19 and that all the residents were refunded. Also cancelled were 2 leagues, the Soccer League, and Basketball League.

B. First half of Summer 2020

1. Ms. Prebis told the group of the summer camps through the end of July. The day camp has been very successful, and we have the number prove it. 1st week – 33 kids , 2nd week – 35 kids, 3rd week – 37 kids, 4th week – 41 kids, 5th week – 43 kids and 6th week – 37 kids. We have had multiple children on waiting lists as well. Depending on the staff and vacations, we could take 40 -45 kids each week.
2. Ms. Prebis also gave number for the basketball camp which was 19 kids.
3. Ms. Prebis and Ms. Capozzi talked about the movies and concerts in the park that were very successful as well. 1st movie – 80 people, 2nd movie – 108 people, 3rd movie – 159 people. The concert was Philly Funk Authority and there were 250 people. Which was the maximum. After we hit that number, we shut down the parking lot and any extra people that walked up were told they had to sit elsewhere. They were not allowed to sit in the “amphitheater” seating. All residents were satisfied.

5. New Business

A. Last half of Summer 2020

Numbers for the camps that will complete the summer were given as well. We have 18 registered for the Cheerleading camp, 23 registered for the flag football camp, 9 for the science camp and 46 kids registered for the 4 tennis programs. Mr. Lippert asked about the science camp running with only 9 kids. Ms. Capozzi stated, residents do not seem to want to be indoors, so our indoor camps are not as successful. She will be checking with the company running that one to see if they will do it with 9 kids.

B. Fall 2020

1. Ms. Prebis handed out a flier with all the fall events listed (and emailed it to the virtual participants.) We are planning to do everything, just in moderation. The carnival was cancelled, but we are replacing it with the car show, movie and fireworks. Mr. Zumpino wanted to make sure we get the word out sooner than later about the car show and the date change. The golf outing was discussed, and Ms. Johnson asked if fliers were coming out about that event. Ms. Prebis said the “Save the Date” will be out ASAP.
2. How do we keep the numbers down for fall events (under the 250 person mark) while still having a great event? Ms. Prebis asked to see if any members had ideas for this. The board will think about it and get back to her. Mr. Murray stated that during all the events there may be more than 250 people there, but not in one area? Is this allowable? Ms. Prebis will have to look into this.

- C. Volunteers for events – all board members will check their schedules and let Ms. Capozzi or Ms. Prebis know when they are able to volunteer.

5. **Other Business**

A. Trails

1. Ms. Prebis gave an update on the powerline trail and that we have chosen a firm to do the study, and it is Michael Baker International. She stated the reason for this choice was that their RFP was excellent, they had a lot of local experience and they seem very adept at dealing with the “naysayers.” Mr. Zumpino stated they were a very reputable firm.
2. Ms. Prebis stated that we are also advertising for a new park board member and that she already had 2 resumes submitted. If any members on the board knew of someone, tell them to get their resumes to Ms. Prebis.
3. Mr. Nagle commented on the efforts of the Park and Recreation department during this unforeseen time and how well things seem to be running. He stated that none of the surrounding townships are even attempting camps or special events. The board agreed and they also stated they like the “weekly reports” Ms. Prebis is sending them and keep them coming.

6. **Call for Adjournment (next meeting – Monday, September 21, 2020)**

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

**Respectfully submitted,
Sarah A Prebis**