UPPER MERION PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 10, 2018

7:30 PM.

Attendees: Tina Garzillo, Mike Trachtenberg, Robert DeFelice, MaryAnn Ahearn,
Paul Salamy, Neil Sardiñas, Deena Newman, Jonathan Eyer, Bill Schutter,
and Dan Russell.

- 1. The Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Approval of the March 13, 2018 Meeting Minutes APPROVED 7-0.
- 3. Parks & Recreation Director's Report

Dan Russell's report included the following:

- A. The 2018 Summer Activity Guide draft for review.
- **B.** The township Community Garden.
 - The lottery for the available 60 plots.
- C. The 2018 Concerts Under The Stars Series
 - The series will run June 25 thru August 5, 2018.
 - Work Horse Brewery will manage the Beer Garden.

4. Old Business

A. Township Parks Security

- Chairperson Tina Garzillo will keep board members updated on the township's discussions for security plans throughout the parks.
- B. Township Parks and Streams Clean -Up
 - ullet Saturday, April 14th, 2018 . Volunteers to meet at the township building for assignments.

5. New Business

A. Park Renovations

Dan Russell reported seven (7) township parks are scheduled to receive new playground equipment and renovations this year.

- Costs, designs, types of equipment, warranties, available grant monies to offset costs were discussed at length.
- An-inquiry was made by Robert DeFelice to Dan Russell about the possibility of him negotiating for
 an additional "multi parks discount" from the playground equipment contractor / provider
 who has reaped the benefits of having the township's parks account for many years.
 Dan Russell confirmed the prices for both playground equipment and all labor costs were
 the absolute lowest costs as regulated through COSTARS.

6. Crow Creek Trail Discussion

A. Approved in budget / grant monies secured.

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B. Select proven engineer firm based on "trail" experience versus putting project out to bid and award Project to lowest responsible bidder.

C.Dan Russell will solicit quotes (3) from a few chosen engineer firms to design the trail.

7. Parks Evaluations

A. Will start up again this month. All evaluations will be gathered by Paul Salamy.

Board members will discuss which township groups are to undertake the various park clean-up/renovations.

Adjournment: 10:05 PM.

Kindly Submitted,

Robert DeFelice