

## UPPER MERION PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

7:30 PM

**Attendees:** Mike Trachtenberg, Mary Ann Ahearn, Deena Newman, Neil Sardiñas, Dan Russell, Holly Meade, Tina Garzillo. **Guests:** Barrley VanCleeef, Jerome Oucker, Vytas Masalaitis

- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Approval of the Jan 11, 2022 Meeting Minutes – APPROVED 5-0.**
- **Guests (spoke at end of meeting)**
- **Board of Supervisor’s Liaison Report-Tina Garzillo**
  - Possible student liaison interview
  - Amazon update: Twp & company aware of issue with traffic and gas, 3-5 years out, training facility, green as possible in structure
  - Citizen Boards: FB page, UM is hiring, DEI, FM possible relocation with Fri nights and CSA partnerships
- **Park & Recreation Director’s Report-Dan Russell**
  - Summer Camp guide 2/11
  - Open house for camps
  - All-inclusive guide 4/28
  - Trial set for April in Architect Suit
  - Bob White speed bumps
- **Park Maintenance Report**
- **New Business**
  - Park Signage-consolidate and possible QR codes for maps and upcoming events
  - Fishing Derby will not be reinstated at Twp. Building
- **Old Business**
  - The Upper Merion Youth Athletic Association has filed for 501C status
- **Community Center Complex Advisory Board Report**
  - Survey needs to be reissued
- **Public Comment/Guests**
  - **Shade Tree**
    - Eagle Scout building signs in arboretum

- Basic maintenance at Crow Creek
- De-vining
- Live staking on stream bank possible
- Girl Scout troop will be planting tree at Twp. Building and 8 additional trees will be planted

- **Trails**

- Communication between citizen groups and Twp. is positive
- Inter-board communication could be improved
- Connection between VF trail and W. Schuylkill-3 large growth trees in path, erosion blankets
- McKaig tree issues were resolved efficiently

- **Adjournment**

Adjournment: 10:03 PM  
Kindly Submitted  
Holly Meade