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## Minutes

### Community Center Complex Advisory Board May 21, 2019 7:30pm

- 1) Pledge of Allegiance
- 2) Attendance: Evelyn Ankers, Deena Newman, Paul Kubler, Sudha Suryadevara, Karen Huller, Chris Levy, Greg Waks
- 3) Approval of April 16th minutes - Approved
- 4) Staff Report
  - a) Roof update
    - i) Roof went to bid May 8<sup>th</sup>
    - ii) Pre bid meeting today
      - (1) Hal took them on a tour
      - (2) He talked to them about having panels here early for the signing, and they are all aware
    - iii) Due back on June 4<sup>th</sup>
    - iv) Hal will make recommendations for board to review
  - b) Could be approved at June BOS workshop meeting 6.6
    - i) Perhaps if they can get it approved construction can happen sooner
    - ii) Bid approval normally happens at a business meeting -- 6.20
  - c) Ideas for passholder
    - i) Chris, Paul, and Karen were at the BOS workshop
      - (1) The board had wanted some other ideas
    - ii) Deena suggested pool passes; is that being considered?
      - (1) Could even bring in additional members with additional exposure
      - (2) Guest passes are \$10 for day; \$5 after 5 PM
      - (3) Was there an admin issue?
      - (4) An issue of fairness and entitlement
      - (5) Now we have some new amenities
      - (6) 2 guest passes (value of \$20); 1 per passholder

- (7) Need to use guess pass with a member
  - (8) Evelyn made point that 2 passes could be used up in one visit
  - iii) After hours party at the pool
    - (1) Would have to be after pool closes (8 PM)
    - (2) No extra budget
    - (3) Get sponsors?
      - (a) Conshohocken Brewing
      - (b) Has to be a township run (Park and Rec) event to allow alcohol on township property
      - (c) Workhorse gave away 2 beers free at the Holiday Hoopla and a ½ keg
        - (i) Karen will talk to Dan
        - (ii) They have to serve the beer; they have the license
      - (d) Other boards (Environmental Advisory Counsel) has minimal \$150 budget
    - (4) Could grill hotdogs to keep cost down
    - (5) Chris could get music
    - (6) Imagine some restaurants who would provide a certain amount of food free
    - (7) Gerry Vatimo has connections with sponsors
    - (8) Issue with liability at the pool and alcohol
  - iv) Could have it at Community Center after it closes on a Saturday (5 PM)
    - (1) Formats
      - (a) Meet and greet/Town Hall
      - (b) Family fun day
      - (c) Evelyn – could make it an annual end of the season party
      - (d) As a thank you upon completion (October?) or during the summer during construction
        - (i) Chris – we want to get in front of this thing
    - (2) Wouldn't have to worry about rain
    - (3) If the project gets delayed it might push into the holidays
    - (4) More control over who comes in
    - (5) Will it be safe with construction?
    - (6) Bouncy house rentals?
    - (7) Hidden costs: Have to pay staff
      - (a) Chris will volunteer
      - (b) Evelyn is willing
      - (c) Could help control costs, minimize needs
  - v) Could have it at the township building
    - (a) Would have to give people bands to control general attendance
    - (b) And computer to confirm (FABs)
  - vi) Greg doesn't expect that the BOS would oppose a party
- d) Information campaign
  - i) Park and Rec will work with PIO office and use all channels
    - (1) Amanda, Allison have a set protocol for disseminating information
    - (2) Can reach out to passholders via e-mail
    - (3) Have to wait for the timeline to be clear or not a lot to share
- e) Passholder update
  - i) 491 new passholders YTD
  - ii) 2581 total
  - iii) Pool – 1414 members

- (1) At this time last year had 458
  - (2) Early bird special and weather has been helping
  - (3) Had 2153 by end of the season
  - f) Pool feasibility study
    - i) RFQ due to PennBid May 21 at 2pm
      - (1) Dan and Hal are going through them
      - (2) They will make sure all documents requested are there
    - ii) Short list announcement June 11
      - (1) GlennAnne will come up with dates for us to review
      - (2) Will be more streamlined and convenient than trail proposal reviews
        - (a) Mike Trachtenberg came up with standardized questions to ask
        - (b) Each bidder had so much time to present
        - (c) We could ask questions
        - (d) Hal will give them parameters
        - (e) Each member ranked top three
          - (i) Deena doesn't think there was a scoring sheet
  - g) BCA Awards-June 5<sup>th</sup> at The Venue in the Radisson Hotel 5:30-7:30PM
    - i) Heather will be there for pool
    - ii) Chris will be there for Justin
    - iii) Karen and Paul will be there for Community Center
  - h) Summer season heating up
    - i) Activity guide came out 5.9
    - ii) Camp open house held May 15<sup>th</sup>
      - (1) For the "Big 4" camps
      - (2) Turnout wasn't as good as last year
      - (3) Fielding a lot of questions
      - (4) Information has been on the website for longer
      - (5) Have waitlists for many of the camps
        - (a) Teen Leadership Camp
        - (b) ADC (some sites are full)
          - (i) Candlebrook is close to full
          - (ii) Gulph is pretty open for full 6 weeks, but closed certain weeks
- 5) Board of Supervisors Liaison Report
- a) Election results will be announced after 9 PM.
- 6) Park and Recreation Advisory Board Liaison Report
- a) Brian Schlorff – head of soccer attended last meeting
    - i) Had concerns about Baxter field while high school is being renovated
    - ii) He keeps excellent care of the fields
    - iii) School District owns it but soccer uses it and feels that usage will become more limited
    - iv) Inviting Rob Devers to next meeting
    - v) Brian uses Bob Case sometimes
    - vi) Evelyn has reffed games at Candlebrook, so it seems to be an option
      - (1) At Baxter on far left field, ball constantly has to get chased into a gully
      - (2) Wonders if a cheap orange "ski" fence can be put up
  - b) Concert Under the Stars has a good line up

- c) 4<sup>th</sup> of July – 3-day carnival
- d) Putting wifi at Heuser for surveillance
  - i) 7 cameras mostly on football side
  - ii) There have been problems there
  - iii) Cars turfing the fields
- e) 3 guests from UM boathouse, crew booster, coach and assistant coach attended
  - i) Asking for approval to recommend 2 large storage units behind the boathouse
  - ii) School district owns the boathouse
    - (1) One of the few public schools that own a boathouse
    - (2) Board approved recommendation
      - (a) Concern about it being anchored into the ground in case of flood
- f) Paul would like it noted for the Park and Rec board that GlennAnne and he meet a week before the meeting to set the agenda and it is distributed to all board members before the meeting

7) Senior Center Representative Liaison Report

- a) No updates. Terry is at the polls.

8) Old Business

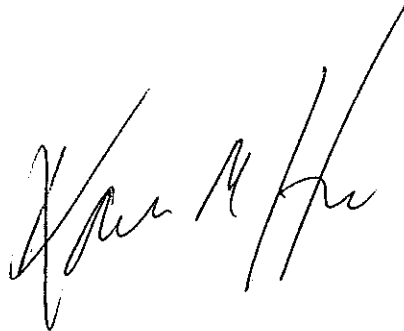
- a) Talked with Dennis about temporary pickleball court.
  - i) He will get a container and has done research
  - ii) We want to purchase equipment and storage
  - iii) Wants to make sure that someone is there consistently
  - iv) Perception has to be as though it's an open gym time for the courts vs. a reserved time for a few people to use it
- b) Vending machines
  - i) Energy bars
  - ii) Protein powder packets that people can mix in their water
  - iii) People might not know it's there if they don't visit
  - iv) Some people stopped visiting because of issues with machines
- c) Rock Climbing subcommittee
  - i) Met before meeting to come up with ideas for location, dimensions
  - ii) Set up time to talk to GlennAnne to discuss
  - iii) Identified good space near bleachers
  - iv) Bleachers could be moved over
  - v) Mat needed for safety would not encroach the track
  - vi) Paul kind of remembers during tour that there was a garage in the back area
    - (1) There's a garage on the left where heavy machinery is stored
    - (2) Could it be separated?
    - (3) No.

9) New Business

- a) Chris – Pickleball people talked about getting a pro in for a workshop
  - i) P&R can look into it
  - ii) Rob is already in talks with Sarah Hansberry \$150/hr
    - (1) Not sure how many people will attend
  - iii) Dan Wheeler doing a workshop for 2.5-3 level

- b) Teen Rep
  - i) 15-17 year old
  - ii) A high school senior would have a 1-year term
  - iii) Have to make sure that they are a passholder
  - iv) Front desk people know who comes in
  - v) Put sign up in front desk
  - vi) A good résumé builder
  - vii) Juniors would benefit from having this on college application
    - (1) BOS should have list of requirements, job description
    - (2) Have to go through board vacancy protocol
    - (3) BOS does interviewing
- c) Are we losing potential revenue
  - i) Revenue is being made by Park and Rec, not the community center
  - ii) Revenue is an objective of the community center
  - iii) Added ADC because of the demand; serving the needs of the community
  - iv) We don't pay schools rent for use of facilities, but do pay for janitorial services
- d) Pool is open this weekend, but it's closed during the week while school is open
  - i) Was open with some hours, but caused confusion and logistical challenges
- e) Catalyst Experiential
  - i) They advertise and proposed revenue go toward 750 sq ft library on Allendale Rd.
  - ii) 25000 sq ft is ideal, township could cover the rest
  - iii) Would add an ADA accessible walking bridge over 202 near Pep Boys with digital advertising
  - iv) There is a sign near Kennedy-Supplee
  - v) Have/will have a sign in Bob White
  - vi) Township could use for announcements
  - vii) Halloween store sign
  - viii) Living wall for senior center wall?
- f) Main Line Health is our first sponsor - \$4K
- g) Single passholders and families get the same amount of guest passes per year for the community center, which isn't a fair "gift"

10) Adjournment

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John A. Hu".

6/18/19