

UPPER MERION PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 4, 2018

7:30 PM.

ATTENDEES: Mike Trachtenberg, MaryAnn Ahearn, Robert DeFelice, Deena Newman, Dana Augustine,
Paul Salamy, Dan Russell, Tina Garzillo.

GUESTS: Mike Scioli, Ed Campbell, Lisa Harding, Anastasios Pappanastasiou, Allen Witkowski,
Jeff Grogan.

1.The Pledge of Allegiance

2. Approval of the August 14, 2018 Meeting Minutes – APPROVED 6 – 0.

3.Tom Pappanastasiou – Upper Merion Boat Club

Mr. Pappanastasiou gave a brief history of the Upper Merion Boat Club, the upcoming Kings Head Regatta. and the current zoning issues with the property surrounding the boat house.

Mr. Pappanastasiou suggested the township purchase this property.

Ed Campbell commented the Boathouse and Riverfront property are under utilized.

4. Lisa Harding – President of The Upper Merion Youth Football & Cheer

Newly elected President of The Upper Merion Youth Football Association(UMYFA) ,Lisa Harding, thanked board members for previous years support and looked forward to working with the Upper Merion Parks and Recreation Department and board members.

Ms. Harding commented the UMYFA are playing on more turf fields outside of our community.

5. Mike Scioli – Upper Merion Baseball Association (UMBA)

Newly elected UMBA President, Mike Scioli , commented on the Walker Field Park post flood clean-up and complimented the Upper Merion Parks Maintenance and Public Works staffs on their cooperation and efforts.

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Mr. Scioli requested the pathway leading to the Tac House at Walker Field Park be named, Tony Metricarti Blvd, or similar, in honor of Mr. Metricarti's long time dedication to UMBA. Paul Salamy made the motion (2nd by Deena Newman) to recommend to the Board of Supervisors to approve the pathway be named Tony Metricarti Way.

Mr. Scioli announced longtime UMBA executive and volunteer, Vic Tarbutton, will be the Grand Marshall of The 2019 UMBA Opening Day Festivities.

6. Board of Supervisor's Liaison Report

Tina Garzillo's report included the following:

- A. No lease has been signed for the Acme property.
- B. Dennis Rubin has been appointed as the Chief of Fire & EMS.
- C. New restaurants opening soon include: Eddie V's, Pinks Hotdogs, Kilwin's Ice Cream and Work Horse Brewery.
- D. The Community Garden was devastated by the recent storm.
- E. A public Storm Water Management Meeting will take place on September 24, 2018 at the Upper Merion Township building.

7. Parks & Recreation Director's Report

Dan Russell's report included the following:

- A. Parks & Recreation staff will be working on the 2019 budget.
- B. Park renovations for Kingswood Road and the U.M. township building park's are on schedule to begin at the end of the month, weather permitting.
- C. The Emerald Ash Borer project at Heuser Park is almost completed.
- D. The Crow Creek RFQ'S interviews are to begin soon.

8. Old Business

A. The Fall Park and Crow Creek Clean-up is scheduled for September 29, 2018.

The Valley Forge Military Cadets cancelled their participation in these clean-ups due to schedule changes.

B. Estimates for the painting of the Clubhouse at Heuser Park are being accepted.

c. The safety bollards in the parking area at Petrucci's Ice Cream/ Norview Farm is scheduled for completion by the end of the month.

9. New Business

1. Walker Field Park Storm Water Damage Update

UMBA President Mike Scioli reported on the damage to Walker Field Park caused by the recent storm waters, which included damage to the TAC building, baseball field fences and excessive debris.

Mr. Scioli reported cooperation by the Bridgeport Borough to use their baseball field.

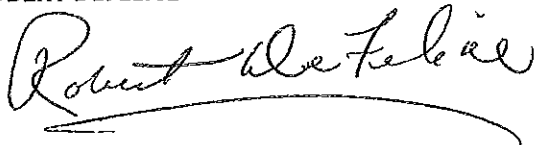
The possibility of relocating the baseball fields onto the Mullen Tract was briefly discussed.

2. Township sports organizations applying for the annual parks & recreation grant monies will be in attendance at the October 2018 board meeting to give updates on their respective organizations.

Adjournment: 9:45 PM.

Kindly Submitted,

ROBERT DEFELICE

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert Defelice". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the printed name. A horizontal line is drawn underneath the signature.