UPPER MERION PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, December 12, 2023

7:30 PM

Attendees: Mike Trachtenberg, MaryAnn Ahearn, Neil Sardinas, Holly Meade, Kathy Garro, Paul Salamy, Tina Garzillo, Kyle Marchese, Vytas Masalitis

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Approval of the Oct. Meeting Minutes APPROVED 7-0.
- 3. Guests: Spenser Dusig, John Tissue, Kate Seaner, Bret Moutich, Eddie Robaso, Kelly Snizabich
- 4. Board of Supervisors Report-Tina Garzillo
 - 2024 Budget approved
 - UMFM has special events each month at NorView location
- 5. Park and Recreation Director's Report-Dan Russell
 - Capital budget adopted
 - McKaig parking being investigated for possible expansion
 - Sports equipment recycling still in ongoing process of discussions
 - UM Farmer's Market will be offering special programming throughout winter
 - Senior Center new hours; 9:30-3:30
 - DCNR grant application process initiated
 - Vandalism issues ongoing at Community Center
- 6. Maintenance Report-N/A
- 7. New Business-N/A
- 8. Old Business
 - Investigate historical markers
- 9. Park Assignments
- 10. Community Center Complex Advisory Board Report: Paul Salamy
 - Passholders numbers increase
 - Digital pass now available on phone
 - New punching bag installed

- New class lists available
- 11. Public Comment: Vytas Masalaitis-McKaig Nature Center; Spencer Dusing; John Tissue, Kate Seaner, Bret Moutich, eddie Robaso, Kelly Snizabich
 - McKaig-has a meteor shower event on Dec 14,details on their webpage
 - King of Prussia Soccer Club-Baxter Park is utilized 6 days a week and 9 months out of the year by the club. Concerns raised over lease concerns with UMASD and possible procurement of Baxter field space used by the school district resulting in disruption to the soccer club. Club spoke about the importance of Baxter to its survival.

Adjournment 9:40 PM