

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 22nd, 2024

The meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board of the Township of Upper St. Clair was called to order at 7:30 PM on October 22, 2024, in Community Room C, Community & Recreation Center, 1551 Mayview Road, Upper St. Clair, PA 15241.

PRESENT: Roger Hartung, Chairman
Kelly Bakayza
Bill Barnard
Ryan Buries
Matt Weaver
Chris Biswick, Community & Recreation Center Aquatics Supervisor
Melissa Lindberg, Community & Recreation Center Membership/Marketing Supervisor
Amanda Pozzuto, Community & Recreation Center Recreation Supervisor

EXCUSED: Diane Morris

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF September 24th, 2024

Kelly Bakayza made a motion, seconded by Matt Weaver to approve the Minutes of September 24th, 2024. The Minutes were approved by a unanimous voice vote.

NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

At Baker Park, the basketball court is complete with (2) new hoops, 8' fence, and surface color coating. Pickleball lines have been added as they were before. This is a "bring your own pickleball net to play" court. Player safety has improved. There are only (2) backboard poles within the fenced court, and those poles are outside of the play area for basketball, and no longer behind a pickleball player. Court lights are anticipated to be installed in November and operational by early 2025.

Municipal tennis bubbles have been set up for winter play.

Water has been turned off and the facilities will be winterized at the Township Parks except for Founders Field and Boyce Mayview fields and facilities. After the Bounty event, all outside facilities will be closed for the winter season.

Construction is going very well at the Morton Fields Complex, and the contractors are generally on schedule for a Spring 2025 opening. Weather plays a big part this fall. We should be seeing turf in the coming weeks.

The Miracle League completed their season and held their Halloween Party on October 19th. They are still looking into facility upgrades of a quiet room and a family style restroom with an adult changing station. The Township is working with Jeffrey Associates and Cre8Play for the delivery of the "Point Fountain" replacement, along with the game panels for the Casey's Clubhouse playground. Delivery is anticipated by the end of the month.

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Our contractor, J.T.Subrick, is moving along very well with the 1st phase of the Old Farm Road Trail project. They should be completed by mid-November. The 2nd (final) phase is planned to be bid at the end of this year and awarded in February. Phase 2 will be to finish some site infrastructure and pave the trail. This trail will make a great loop trail once the Morton Fields Complex is Complete.

The first northern saw-whet owl of this season of banding was caught last week. The ornithologist will band through November in Boyce Mayview Park.

The White Tail Deer Management archery program is in full swing at Boyce Mayview Park. The hunters follow PA Game Commission laws for hunting while in the park. Boyce Mayview is the only park in the Township that offers hunting.

NEW BUSINESS

Amanda Pozzuto updated the Board on the Monster Hunt event held at Boyce Mayview Park on Friday, October 18th. This was the 5th year for the event and over 400 kids participated.

Melissa Lindberg apprised the Board of upcoming events at Boyce Mayview Park. The Creature Crawl/Family-Friendly Color Run is Saturday, October 26th, and Bounty is Saturday, November 2nd.

Discussion regarding kids riding electric bikes on the trails and in the retention areas behind the multipurpose fields at night.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.