

Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting

Parks & Recreation Committee Members: Commissioner and Committee Chair Nicholas O. Scull, Commissioner Kip McFatrige, Commissioner Cheryl Lockard, Patrick T. Stasio, Director of Parks and Recreation Department

- I. **Call to Order:** Commissioner and Chair Scull called the meeting to order following the conclusion of the Finance & Administration Committee Meeting at 7:15 p.m.
- II. **Roll Call:** Commissioner and Chair Scull and Commissioners McFatrige and Lockard, and Mr. Stasio. Also present: David A. Dodies, Township Manager, and Sean Kilkenny, Esquire, Township Solicitor.
- III. **Approval of Minutes - May 29, 2018:** A correction was made to the last bullet point under Library Board of Trustees Report to read, "'A-Ha Kits" have been created to introduce patrons to specific hobbies or interests. The first two kits available are a hiking kit and a ukulele kit.". The meeting minutes were unanimously approved with the above correction.
- IV. **Acceptance and approval of the following monthly reports:**
 - A. Parks & Recreation Monthly Report - Mr. Stasio provided the following updates:
 - Katie Kollar, Recreation Coordinator, was commended for organizing a large variety of summer programs and activities for both adults and children.
 - Maintenance crews were commended for their work on the athletic fields despite the rainy weather.
 - Commissioner McFatrige commended the design and installation of the new Masons Mill Park entrance sign. Mr. Stasio stated that the Pileggi Park entrance sign will also be completed by the end of the week.
 - Commissioner Lockard commented that the Summer Playground Program was expanded. Mr. Stasio stated that use of the Elementary and Middle Schools was coordinated with the School District and local busing agencies to accommodate the overwhelming response to the program.
 - B. Library Board of Trustees Report - Lisa Quinn, a Teacher Librarian and member of the Upper Moreland Public Library Board of Trustees, provided the following updates:
 - Jim Moran, Children's Librarian, is retiring after 20 years of service. The public is invited to attend a special sendoff party on July 27, 2018 from 1 to 3 p.m.
 - Annual Summer Kickoff & Community Resource Day was held Saturday, June 16, 2018, from 1 to 3 p.m. Over 100 children participated in the various activities and began a summer reading log to earn prizes throughout the Summer. Thanks was given to Upper Moreland for loaning the fire truck, ambulance, and SWAT vehicles for children to see up close. Music was provided by students from the School of Rock and the Settlement Music School.
- V. **Old Business:** Mr. Stasio provided the following updates:
 - A. Veterans Memorial Park Fountain:

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- Mr. Stasio stated that he is working with James Faber, Township Landscape Architect, McCloskey & Faber, to find contractors to restore the Fountain. An update will be provided at a future Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting.

C. Master Trail Plan Grant Submission:

- Mr. Stasio stated that the grant agency is reviewing the joint application made by Upper Moreland and Hatboro Township to fund similar work and save on costs. There is a 20% match which will be split with Hatboro. Awards will be announced by the end of June.

VI. New Business:

A. Alcohol in Parks:

- Mr. Stasio stated that he has been in contact with area communities and asked the Committee to table this discussion until after the July 10, 2018 Parks & Recreation Advisory Council meeting to receive the Council's recommendations. Mr. Stasio will provide additional information at a future Committee meeting.

VII. Other Items:

A. Summer Camps:

- Mr. Stasio stated that in addition to the Supervised Playground Programs, there are teen programs offered for ages 13-16 that include education, sports, arts and crafts, and summer fun days. Information can be found on the website at <http://www.uppermorelandrec.com>.

VIII. Visitor Comments - Nothing to report.

IX. Commissioner Comments - Nothing to report.

X. Adjournment - There being no further business for this Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kathleen Kristire.