



WILLISTOWN TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION **DRAFT**

MINUTES 6-16-2020 7 PM

MEETING VIA ZOOM

Present: Ken Lehr, Chairman; Andrew Vaskas, Vice Chairman; Brad DeHart; Bernadette Downey; Bill Unrath; Denise VanValkenburgh.

Guest: Bob Kacergis

Staff: Mary Hundt, Willistown Parks & Recreation Director

Administration

Vice Chairman Retirement

Parks and Rec Board Chairman, Andrew Vaskas, announced his retirement from the Board. His family has outgrown their Willistown place, and he is moving out of the Township. He shared what a pleasure it was to work with everyone on the Board and with Mary, and that he was pleased with the new programs and parkland that were added during his 9-year tenure. Mary thanked Andrew and acknowledged him for his dedication, thoughtfulness, and good humor. Andrew received the 2019 Willistown Township Community Service Award for his contributions to the Township and the Parks & Recreation Board.

Parks & Recreation Department COVID-19 Protocol Update

Mary reviewed the Department and Township Administration COVID-19 Yellow Phase protocols.

Minute Approvals

Approval of 1-21-2020 Meeting Minutes: Andrew motion; Denise second. All in favor.

Approval of 5-19-2020 Meeting Minutes (Held via Zoom due to COVID 19) Bernadette motion; Denise second. All in favor.

Board Vacancy Update

Mary will be submitting the Parks & Recreation Board recommendation for the appointment of Bob Kacergis to the Board to the Supervisors for consideration at their rescheduled public meeting on June 29, 2020 at Rita Reves Park.

Programming

Proposed

School's Out & Congrats Grads! police and fire equipment Parade was not approved.

Programming amid COVID-19

GO WilMa! 2020: Mary will be creating and releasing the GO WilMa! 2020 Field Guide electronically and managing registration through Eventbrite.

Virtual Sports Camps: Red Phase

The Township's camp vendor, Jump Start Sports, offered virtual sports camps in an effort to keep kids active during the COVID-19 Red Phase. Registration was very low, none of which were Willistown Township residents.

Park Management

Fox Hollow Trail

Bernadette noted we needed a trash receptacle at Fox Hollow Trail South Valley entrance. Mary will take care of it.

Okehocking & Serpentine Preserve

Mary reviewed her volunteer programming at Okehocking and Serpentine Preserves including the construction and installation of bog bridges at both sites and trail closures and re-routes at Okehocking.

Tree Work

Mary discussed the storm damage and hazard tree work Okehocking and Serpentine Preserves and Duffryn and Fox Hollow Trails.

Old Business

Planning Communications

Comprehensive Plan Update 2020 Survey

Mary reported on current numbers and reminded everyone of the July 10 survey closure date.

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

Brad motion, Bernadette second. All in favor

Next meeting: Third Tuesday of the month, 7PM, location TBD.

All meetings are open to the public.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary N. Hundt, Recording Secretary