

Middletown Township Parks and Recreation Board
Minutes from June 3, 2024

Present: Bill Fuller, Dan Giacomelli, Debbie Marchesani, Dori Bower, Kris Belser,
Missy Kitzmiller, Joanne Morelli, Paul Kopera
Absent: Helene Ratner, Patrick Graham
Guests: None

1. Meeting called to order at 6:05 PM.
2. May Minutes: Motion by Missy to approve. Second by Bill. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried 6-0.
3. Paul Kopera asked board about a request from area residents for new dog poop stations at 1) Simmons and 2) Forsythia. Board will continue to discuss feasibility of request taking in all considerations, including cost. At the same time Missy will bring up the possibility of adding park amenities during meetings of comprehensive plan committee. Board approved bags at Simmons 6-0; Forsythia on hold for future consideration.
4. Summer Rec Program Update by Joanne
 - a. Barn is full two on wait list 150
 - b. Tween Full 2 on wait list 75
 - c. CC Full 6 waitlist 101
 - d. CC ½ 19
 - e. CCP 68
 - Total 413
5. Enrollment deadline is June 10th; but some camps fill before deadline.
6. Fall guide Early Stages
 - a. Cooking classes will be back
 - b. New provider Vineyard App Camp
 - i. ultimate frisbee, sports smorgasbord, canasta card games
 - c. Waiting on golf pro at Country Club for the fall lessons.
7. Basketball & Pickleball
 - a. Nicole taking over pickleball June 10th while Patrick is mending.
 - b. FFP will be busy. While basketball and softball always coexisted, pickleball and basketball could be an issue with the number of people, traffic, navigating the courts. B is the new variable.
 - c. Paul and team limited PB number to 30 from 60 for Tuesdays and Thursdays and restricted parking and increased a 24 cap to the Senior Center.

- d. Kyle Ratner is the new basketball coordinator, and he will work closely with Paul this summer.
- e. Debbie M. will post on the pickleball page some of this information.
- f. Law enforcement (MTPD) will be given an update to be prepared for parking and crowd control in FFP, if situation exists.
- 8. Adult Kickball ends June 7th at Firefighters Park; season went well with four teams. Paul coordinated league finish, with Patrick on the mend.
- 9. Bucks County Senior Games begin June 7th with bocci; pickleball on June 10. 2024 is the first time the County is hosting PB in the Senior Games.
- 10. Paul gave update on hockey rink construction in Forsythia Crossing Park.
- 11. Barn had new vandal issues on April 27th which continue. It started with LAA using the barn on Earth Day and they had left it open, so the door was open over the weekend. LAA was fined \$500 for damage. The P&R Dept. has \$125k in the 2024 capital budget for cameras.
- 12. Event updates
 - a. July 4th Styers is hosting an event in combo with Aristaeus with food, bands, etc.
 - b. No other updates since last meeting (please refer to previous meeting minutes from May including MCF golf outing June 24th at Spring Mill Country Club, grooving at the gates Saturday September 28th and holiday open house Thursday December 12th)
- 13. Paul discussed construction and capital improvements
 - a. No major updates since the last meeting please refer to meeting minutes from May
- 14. New business
 - a. Missy wanted to discuss bringing back the 4th of July parade: a lot of options were discussed including possibly moving venue. More to be discussed for the 2026 calendar year because of the 250th anniversary of the country
 - b. Paul discussed Storm water advisory committee
 - i. committee being formed; e-mail sent to park and rec board if we want to be a part of it, please respond directly to the stormwater advisory committee email.
 - ii. Storm water funding will be from new assessed fee instead of using the funds in the general fund for storm water projects.
 - iii. assessed SW taxes will be approximately \$60 annually per household, if board approves.
- 15. Next meeting scheduled for September 9th at 6:00 PM
- 16. Motion to adjourn made by Dan and seconded by Missy at 7:46 PM