

WESTTOWN TOWNSHIP
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
Oakbourne Mansion, 1014 S. Concord Road, Westtown Township, PA
May 10, 2016

In attendance: Deb Litman-Goch (Chair), Jennifer Masiko (Vice Chair), Stuart Rich, Ida Fritsche, Mark Schatzel, and Township Manager Rob Pingar. Absent: Seamus Lavin.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm.

II. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the April 12, 2016 meeting were approved. (sr/jm)

III. New Business

A. P&R Commission Candidate – Phillip Garabedian

Mr. Garabedian introduced himself and the commission considered his application. We have one more candidate to consider, and he will appear at the next meeting to meet with the commission.

IV. Old Business

A. Parks Master Plan RFP

Rob stated that there has not been much progress toward getting RFPs, but he will add it to the Board of Supervisor's agenda at an upcoming meeting. Mark mentioned that we might be able to apply for a grant through NWF to help pay for park improvements.

B. Community Yard Sale Debrief

This year's yard sale did not make much of a profit. We pretty much broke even after paying our expenses. We might consider having a food truck provide the concessions next year instead of running a concessions stand ourselves. Jennifer suggested that next year we start the sale an hour earlier since we received complaints from people who thought we started too late.

C. Westtown Wellness 5K Walk/Run

We are cancelling the event due to poor response. Jennifer suggested that we might want to move the run to October when we will have less competition. We also might get more people to sign up if we attach our run to a cause, possibly the SPCA, and have a run for pet owners with their pets. Jennifer will research options and report back next month.

D. Westtown Community History Day (September 17)

The P&R Commission will meet with the Historical Commission at a date to be determined to finalize plans for the day. We came up with a list of our objectives for the joint meeting.

E. 2016 Movie Nights

We will show “Star Wars - the Force Awakens” on June 17, “Inside Out” on July 15, and “The Princess Bride” on August 19. We will also provide free popcorn.

F. Wildlife Habitat Certification Update

Rob mentioned that Friends of Oakbourne (FoO) is planting several trees in the park, and we should be able to get credit toward certification for their efforts.

VI. Public Comment & Non Agenda Items

None

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:59 pm.(sr/jm)