

**SOLEBURY TOWNSHIP  
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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING – January 19, 2017**

**PRESENT:** Pattie Beans-Clark, Kevin Campbell, Ralph J. Di Zio, Dan Dupont, Lori High, Andy Kelly, Dan Morrin Jr., Parks & Rec Director Dudley Rice and Supervisor Liaison Kevin Morrissey

**ABSENT:** Jim Trammell, Kim Wilson

**I OPENING OF MEETING**

Chair Kevin Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed newly appointed members Ralph J. Di Zio and Dan Morrin Jr.

**II ANNOUNCEMENTS / PRESENTATIONS / CORRESPONDENCE**

Resident Joyce Rivas made a presentation to the members on her updated Dog Park Feasibility Plan and asked that a re-evaluation of the various sites occur since location is a primary factor in moving forward with a dog park facility. She noted that the old public works storage building next to Laurel Park will be removed in 2017 and the area returned to grass and might be a site worth considering.

Kimberly Moore, President of the Solebury Soccer Club, stated that recent rule changes nationwide for soccer will result in the need for additional fields and expressed support for that area to become a multi-purpose field.

Members decided to establish a sub-committee to review the matter, investigate potential site locations, and make recommendations to the P&R Board. Committee members are Ralph J. Di Zio (Chair), Pattie Beans-Clark, Lori High, Dudley Rice, and Joyce Rivas. Kevin Campbell offered to also attend when he could arrange it with his schedule. Ralph said he would come up with a meeting date in February, prior to the next P&R meeting.

**III APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION 17-01:** *On a motion by Pattie Beans-Clark, second by Andy Kelly, the minutes of the December 15, 2016 regular meeting were unanimously approved.*

**IV FINANCE REPORT**

Board members reviewed the adopted P&R budget for 2017.

**V SUBDIVISIONS / LAND DEVELOPMENTS**

None

**VI REPORTS ON FACILITIES**

Board members reviewed the facilities report.

The Director reported that surveillance cameras and equipment are now installed at Pat Livezey Park in order for the police and park departments to monitor activity in the area during all hours (day and night).

Members asked about the possibility of having lights on any more fields and were reminded that a previous Board of Supervisors had passed a resolution about future lighting as follows:

*In accordance with the precepts of Solebury Township's Comprehensive Plan, adopted December 2002, no additional playing fields, other than fields already having lights at Pat Livezey Park, shall be lighted.*

*Adopted by Resolution #2006-253 by Board of Supervisors on November 9, 2006.*

Member Dan Morrin expressed an interest in looking into trails and will meet with the Township Manager, Dennis Carney, in the next few weeks to review the information that is currently available.

#### **VII REPORTS ON PROGRAMS**

Board members reviewed the program report.

Basketball practices and games are in progress for the winter season.

The Intramural regular season began on Saturday, January 7, 2017 at the NH-S UES gym and continues through February 25, 2017. The adult basketball program is in progress on Sunday mornings from 8:30 a.m. to 12 Noon and on Wednesday evenings from 8:30-10:00 p.m. at the NH-S UES gym. Travel home games are played at the gym facilities at Solebury Private School, NH-S High School, and NH-S Upper Elementary School. Teams that make it through the first two rounds of the playoffs at the end of February will play on Championship Weekend on March 10-12, 2017.

#### **VIII PUBLIC EVENTS**

Board members reviewed the report of upcoming events.

Member Andy Kelly reported on the progress of the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Winter Festival which begins this coming weekend. A full list of all events is available on the website at [www.winterfestival.net](http://www.winterfestival.net)

Solebury Day was discussed, especially the issue of the many conflicts with the date in September, along with the need to appeal to adults and senior citizens. Members suggested that a committee be formed by the Board of Supervisors that would have representatives from each Township committee and also residents, and look towards a date in spring 2018 for the next Solebury Day event.

Location of the 2017 Halloween Community Safety night was discussed and members suggested that perhaps P&R be at three locations: Peddler's View, North Pointe, and Fieldstone.

#### **IX COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Board members reviewed the Committee reports.

#### **X OLD BUSINESS**

Member Andy Kelly said he still needs information from the Football organization for the power point presentation that he is working on for the March 7th meeting of the Supervisors to demonstrate the need for an additional multi-purpose field.

#### **XI NEW BUSINESS**

None

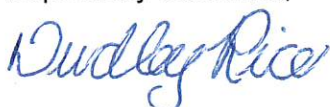
#### **XII PUBLIC COMMENT**

Resident Monty Patel asked about the possibility of recycling at Laurel Park. The Director noted that recycling has been contracted for that location beginning in the spring 2017.

#### **XII ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Kevin Campbell.

Respectfully submitted,



Dudley Rice, CPRP, CPSI  
Director of Parks & Recreation