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MEETING AGENDA FOR THURSDAY JANUARY 25, 2024

- I OPENING OF MEETING AT 7:00 P.M. and ELECTION OF CHAIR & VICE CHAIR FOR 2024/25
- II APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 30, 2023
- III ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE/PRESENTATIONS
- IV BUDGET REPORT
- V SUBDIVISIONS / LAND DEVELOPMENTS - None
- VI REPORTS ON PARK FACILITIES
 - A) Canal Park
 - B) Magill's Hill Park
 - C) Pat Livezey Park
 - D) Laurel Park
 - E) North Pointe
 - F) Aquetong Spring
 - G) Solebury Park
 - H) Solebury Trail
- VII REPORTS ON PROGRAMS
 - A) Baseball / Basketball / Soccer / Lacrosse / Wrestling / Summer Camp
- VIII EVENTS
 - A) Snow Folk Art
 - B) Winter Festival Feb 2-4
 - C) Easter Egg Hunt – March date TBD (Kim Wilson)
 - D) St. Baldrick’s Day – May 11
- IX COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - A) Route 202 Property Committee - Final Report
- X OLD BUSINESS
- XI NEW BUSINESS
 - A) Trail Committee/Sub-committee
- XII PUBLIC COMMENT
- XIII ADJOURNMENT



**NEXT P&R MEETING
FEBRUARY 22, 2024**

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING – November 30, 2023

PRESENT IN PERSON: Nancy Stock-Allen, Marc Blucas, Kevin Campbell, Dan Dupont, Michael Kernis, Dan Morrin Jr., Barbara Zietchick, P&R Director Dudley Rice and Supervisor Liaison Kevin Morrissey

PRESENT VIA ZOOM: None

ABSENT: Michael McKenna, Kim Wilson

OPENING OF MEETING

Chair Dan Dupont called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION 23-10: *On a motion by Dan Morrin, Jr., second by Nancy Stock-Allen, the minutes of the October 26, 2023 regular meeting were unanimously approved.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS / PRESENTATIONS / CORRESPONDENCE

Chair Dan Dupont noted that three members of the board – Kevin Campbell, Michael McKenna, Barbara Zietchick - have terms expiring at the end of the year and that each needs to let the Township know about his/her interest in being reappointed. Dan also welcomed new member Michael Kernis to the P&R Board.

FINANCE REPORT

Board members reviewed the P&R budget report. Board member Barbara Zietchick asked about expenditures for the Bond House at Aquetong Spring Park to which the Director responded that a total of \$19,001.96 has been spent to date of the \$20,000 budgeted for the 2023 year as reflected on the report. Resident Ken Mintz asked whose budget was paying for the barrier at the Laurel Park pickleball courts. The Director responded that he anticipated that the Township Supervisors would include funds for that in the 2024 budget. Chair Dupont noted that the budget is scheduled for adoption by the Supervisors at their December meeting.

SUBDIVISIONS / LAND DEVELOPMENTS

None

REPORTS ON FACILITIES

Board members reviewed the facilities report. The Director reported that all winter maintenance on the fields and facilities has been completed and that the bathrooms have been closed for the season.

REPORTS ON PROGRAMS

Board members reviewed the program report. The Director reported on the current basketball program. Adult basketball is in progress at the NHSSD UES Gym and Travel basketball practices and tournaments are in progress. Intramural basketball clinics will be held on December 2 and 9, and the regular season will start on January 6, 2024.

EVENTS

The Director reported on the progress of the Snow Folk Art project, noting that all entries are due at the Township building by Wednesday, December 20th.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nancy Stock-Allen reported on the Route 202 Property Committee which will have one more meeting before making final recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. A report will be forthcoming - people can also watch the online video to see and hear the discussions about possible recommendations.

OLD BUSINESS

A brief discussion was held on the Celebration Tree Program and EAC will be asked to provide a recommendation on types of trees, after which the program can be moved forward to the Township Manager and Board of Supervisors.

Dan Morrin, Jr. asked about the trees that were planted at the bottom of Magill's Hill a couple years ago and a concern about potential sledding into them once / if there is ever enough snow again on the hill.

NEW BUSINESS

A request from Supervisor Robert McEwan was discussed which asked for a "lead contact" person from the P&R Board for the Sustainability Sub-Committee. Chair Dan Dupont asked that if any member was interested, to please contact either himself or the P&R Director.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ken Mintz, resident from Reeder Road, asked about the location and plans for the Route 202 property owned by the Township.

Additionally, Mr. Mintz asked several questions about the history surrounding the construction of the pickleball courts at Laurel Park. A discussion followed during which time Chair Dan Dupont gave a brief summary of the history of the courts. Supervisor Liaison Kevin Morrissey responded to several of the questions and comments, and referred Mr. Mintz to come to the Township office to speak with Manager Chris Garges.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dudley Rice

Dudley Rice, CPRP, CPSI
Director of Parks & Recreation

SOLEBURY TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION
FACILITIES REPORT – JANUARY 2024

All athletic fields and buildings are winterized for the season.

CANAL PARK:

Routine maintenance and inspection.

MAGILL'S HILL:

Routine maintenance and inspection.

PAT LIVEZEY PARK:

Fields (Upper & Lower)

Routine maintenance and inspection. The chain-link fence on the lower lighted soccer field sustained storm damage from fallen trees and will be repaired as weather allows.



Maintenance / Buildings / Security

Routine maintenance and inspection.

LAUREL PARK:

Routine maintenance and inspection.

Pickleball – Landis Fence was contracted to install the 12 ft high chain link fence at the north end of the court. Once completed, the barrier material will be priced and contracted. The courts were closed and locked on January 15, and work is expected to finish by the end of April 2024.

MOWING and MAINTENANCE

Mowing operations ended for the winter at all parks.

TRAILS

Routine maintenance and inspection.

NORTH POINTE PARK:

Routine maintenance and inspection.

AQUETONG SPRING PARK:

Routine maintenance and inspection.

SOLEBURY PARK: Routine maintenance and inspection.

P&R MASTER PLAN UPDATE:

DCNR start-up call (via Zoom) was held on January 18 with the Bureau Project Manager, Olivia Braun. during which initial guidance and instructions were provided on the process for moving forward.

LAMBERTVILLE-NEW HOPE RAMBLERS

The Lambertville-New Hope Ramblers Football & Cheerleading program provides opportunities for children ages 5-14 in Lambertville, New Hope, Solebury areas. Registration and contact information are available on the Ramblers website.

Website: <https://inh-ramblers.com>

SUMMER CAMP:

Camp ended on August 4, 2023 at Pat Livezey Park. Planning for Summer Camp 2024 is in progress.

Website: <https://www.soleburytpw.org/parks-recreation/pages/2023-summer-camp>

BACKGROUND SCREENING and CLEARANCES:

The current list is updated throughout the year for those who are required to obtain volunteer clearances. Individual sports organizations are required to provide certification to Solebury Township and/or copies as appropriate. The PA State law on Clearances is in effect for all volunteers, who are required to provide the following:

1. *PA State Police Criminal Record Check*
2. *ChildLine PA Child Abuse Clearance through the Dept of Human Services*
3. *FBI Criminal Background Check OR the 10-Year CPSL Resident Affidavit*

FIRST AID / CPR / AED TRAINING:

CPR / AED training courses are available online at various websites.

CONCUSSION TRAINING

Coaches and sports groups using Township facilities are asked to complete the CDC Concussion Training and produce a certificate of completion or League certification.

Concussion Training Website: <https://www.cdc.gov/headsup/youthsports/training/index.html>

LICENSE PLATES and TILE PROMOTION:

Sales continue. Since this program was started, it has raised \$67,040 to date for Parks and Recreation programs and events.

EVENTS – January 2024 Update

Snow Folk Art Winners Announced

Judging has ended and the Overall Winners have been selected by vote for the 2023 Snow Folk Art contest, sponsored by Solebury Township Parks & Recreation and Niece Lumber of Lambertville.




First place was awarded to Gretchen Rice for her creation of the “Snow Folk Elf” with his reindeer pockets. Second place went to 10-year old Milana Gasiorowski (parent Kara) for her “Hawaiian Luau Snow Folk”. And 7-year old Ian Rhen (parent Michael) took third place for the “Yellow Face Snow Folk” with the snail companion.



In the Group/School/Adult category the winners are Gregory Adam with the “Silver Girl Snow-Bot”, Barbara Zietchick with her artistic “Feathered Snow Girl”, and The NHS Clubhouse Extended Day Program for their stand up “Snow Folk with Dangle Cardboard Arms!”

Rounding out the contest were the Category winners: Eight year old Roman Gasiorowski (parent Kara) with the “Red Scarf Snow Folk”; the Matthews girls Ellianna, Mila, & Angelina (parent Cassandra) for their “Pink & Blue Multi-Colored Snow Folk”; and Cub Scout Wolf Den Troop 3464 with their “Blue Hat Snow Folk with Paint Stick Arms.”

Winter Festival February 2-4, 2024

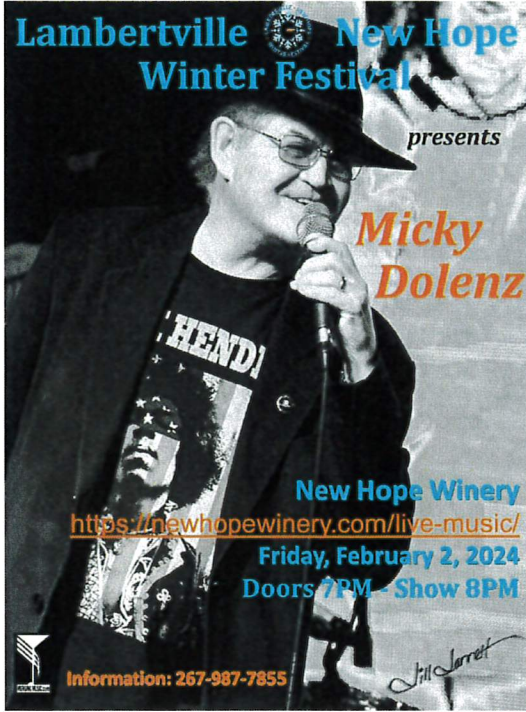
Lambertville  New Hope
Winter Festival

presents

Micky Dolenz

New Hope Winery
<https://newhopewinery.com/live-music/>
Friday, February 2, 2024
Doors 7PM - Show 8PM

Information: 267-987-7855





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2024 Lambertville/New Hope Winter Festival Chili Cook Off Tickets ON SLAE NOW!!! "The Ultimate Holiday Gift!"




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Chili Cook Off 2024 - Lambertville / New Hope Winter Festival
Lambertville - New Hope Winter Festival Chili Cook Off 2024 Sunday,
February 4th 2024 from 12:00pm to 3:00pm (*Weekend before SuperBowl
Sunday) Hosted by New Hope's very own Triumph Brewery, located at 400
Union Square Drive, New Hope, PA 18938. (Ample Parking Available)
Description: Come in from th...

St. Baldrick's Day - May 11th





St. Baldrick's FOUNDATION



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A ST. BALDRICK'S EVENT

2024 New Hope-Solebury Community Event

May 11, 2024 • Time TBD

At: New Hope Solebury Upper Elementary School
186 West Bridge Street, New Hope, PA US

Need more info? Contact [Laurie Palau](mailto:Laurie.Palau)

Event 7966

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2024 New Hope-Solebury Community Event

Join us to have some fun – and be a hero for kids with cancer! Come be a part of the 25th year of St. Baldrick's volunteers working to Conquer Kids' Cancer! You'll be giving hope to thousands of kids diagnosed with cancer every day – from babies and toddlers to children, teens and young adults. In fact, you'll be saving lives! Sign up to shave your head or to raise money another way.