

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
Park & Recreation Commission Meeting  
June 4, 2020**

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, June 4, 2020. Because of the restrictions due to COVID-19, the meeting was held via Zoom virtual conferencing. The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Deborah Snyder at 7:05 pm.

Commission members present are highlighted:

**Daniel Leicht, Chairman**  
**Deborah Snyder, Vice Chairman**  
**Edward Coyle**  
**Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore**  
Peter Knupp  
**Christine Taraborelli**  
**Kishor Thakarar**  
**Eric Tobin**  
**Joseph Zulli**

Others present were:

**Jason Lang, Director of Recreation**  
John Hertzog, Supervisor

**CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Debbie led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Debbie asked for a moment of silence to remember our military, police, first responders & veterans and everyone affected by the coronavirus COVID-19 and the recent protests.

Debbie asked if anyone would be recording the meeting. There was no response

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. The minutes of the May 7, 2020 meeting were approved.

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Community Day and Food Truck and Music Festival – Jason reviewed the restrictions on events going into the yellow and green phases. In green, only 250 people would be allowed so it should be cancelled. The pumpkin festival, yard sale and neighbor to neighbor day are maybes. He is planning to go to the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday to present a proposal to cancel the big event. He will send out an announcement on Wednesday. Chris moved to accept the proposal Jason has prepared and will present to the Board of Supervisors to cancel the 2020 Community Day and Food Truck and Music Festival. Eric seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Reopening – Jason announced that Chester County will move to the yellow phase tomorrow June 5, 2020. The Township Building will be open but limited to the public. He was on a call with the Health Department today. So far, we are meeting requirements to go to green soon. The ballfields are closed except for a family. Tennis and Pickleball courts will start normal play tomorrow. The playground may open in green. The Summer Camp will be held in the park. Other camps; i.e. lego; will be held in the park during yellow and may go in the township building in green.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Summer Camp - The parents are very happy that we are having camp this year. The only others holding camp is the YMCA and ACAC. During the Yellow Phase, we can only have 50 people including staff and no field trips. During the Green Phase, we can only have 90 people including staff, so Jason has a wait list. There will be no

field trips of any kind because we can't put kids on a bus. Staff will be required to wear masks. Masks will be available if kids want them. Temperature checks will be done every day on everyone. Jason plans to hold a talent show for the kids to participate in. He wants an adult singer to be the "Masked Singer" for the kids to guess who it is. He asked the Commission members for suggestions.

2. Senior Card Club – Restrictions for events in the building are only 30% of the maximum capacity can attend with social distancing. Debbie mentioned that they could use only 3 tables spaced apart and participants must wear masks. They can check temperatures and wear gloves. Jason is concerned because this is a vulnerable population. He would rather wait until after green. There was discussion about having it in the park.

3. COVID-19 – Most of the complaints Jason has received are about people not wearing masks in the park.

4. Applebrook Golf – This annual event will be held on June 30, 2020. They will have set tee times from 9:00 to 11:00 am. Lunch will not be a buffet. They may do prepackaged in containers or no lunch. So far 36 have signed up. 40 is the minimum. In the past they usually had 100.

### **RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT**

1. Public Works – The ballfields have been maintained. Jason is working with the leagues to set a schedule for when we go to green.

2. Eagle Scout Project – Jason feels it can't be done until late fall.

3. Paoli Pike Trail – Work in front of the Township Building starts this Saturday. Ed mentioned that the temporary lines to control the traffic are not dark enough and some people are driving in the wrong lane. Jason commented that the Trail should be done by Labor Day.

4. Gold Medal Finalists – East Goshen has been selected again this year. Jason spoke about the other finalists. In October there will be a virtual presentation. Jason would like to have the Commission members attend a party in the Board Room to share in this presentation.

5. COVID Stay At Home Teachers – The winner has been selected. Next Wednesday or Thursday Jason will have a parade including a fire truck to go to the winner's house and present the T-Shirt between 12 & 2 pm.

### **ANY OTHER MATTER.**

1. Joe commented that when we are allowed to hold the summer camp at East Goshen Elementary School next year, who will take care of the cleaning and sanitizing. Jason feels it will be a combination of the school and the camp.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

### **ADJOURNMENT**

It was decided not to have a meeting in July unless needed. The August meeting will be held in the park at the pavilion. There being no further business, Debbie moved to adjourn the meeting. Chris seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday August 6, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary