

EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
January 6, 2022

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, January 6, 2022 at the Township Building.

Commission members present are highlighted:

Daniel Leicht, Chairman

Deborah Snyder, Vice Chairman

Karen Battavio

Jessica Bottaro

Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore

Peter Knupp

Doug Staffelbach

Kishor Thakarar (on phone)

Eric Tobin

Joseph Zulli

Others present were:

Jason Lang, Director of Recreation

John Hertzog, Township Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dan called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

Dan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dan asked for a moment of silence to remember our military and veterans, police and first responders and those still fighting COVID-19.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the December 2, 2021 meeting were approved as amended.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

NEW BUSINESS

1. Reorganization – Dan nominated Debbie for Chairman. Eric seconded the nomination. Debbie accepted the nomination. The vote was unanimous. Dan nominated Peter for Vice Chairman. Debbie nominated Eric for Vice Chairman. Ann Marie seconded the nomination for Eric. Eric was elected for Vice Chairman. Karen will serve as Secretary.

2. Review Reindeer event – Dan commented that the reindeer event went off very well. It brought in \$2,700. The only complaint he heard was that the Santa line was too slow. Ann Marie suggested that next year the position of the band be changed because it was hard for them to hear people as they were checking in.

Jason said the survey was all good. They also mentioned the line for Santa. There were 150 families with 47 seconds per family allowed with the reindeer. Jason emailed the photos to the families. He also asked if they wanted morning again or evening. It was definitely morning.

3. Review Tree Lighting event – Jason felt this was the best tree lighting so far. There was great attendance. The dancers and chorus were great. Next year the tree lighting will be Saturday December 3 in the evening. In the morning we will have the Reindeer event from 10-12.

4. Review Toy Drive – Jason reported that the Toy Drive was far more than expected. The total toys donated was 203. The card club gave a morning to wrapping all the toys. Jason met with the East Goshen Elementary counselor and made a list of children and toys to donate. Next year Jason is thinking of having a list of toys and have residents select which ones they want to donate.

5. 2022 Program Calendar – Jason reviewed the 2022 program calendar and explained some of the new events. He is hoping to have full day camp. He is waiting for permission from the school district. It will be at East Goshen Elementary. He wants to have representatives from other ABCs at some of the events so residents can meet them;

i.e., a Pumpkin Challenge at the Pumpkin Festival. Jason reviewed the history of the farmers' market. The last year was 2018. He received approval to install windscreens and a divider at the tennis courts.

6. End of Year Report – Jason reviewed the report and commented that revenue of 107% is good. In 2021 the revenue was 120%. A good year.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Annual ABC Meeting – This annual meeting will be held on Tuesday January 25, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. Jason reviewed the 2021 Accomplishments and 2022 Goals report for this meeting.

RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT

1. Upcoming Events -

a. Teen MLK Day of Service with West Chester Communities that Care – Jan 17. Teens will do a day of service. Krapf will provide a bus for transportation.

e. 2022 Township ABC Kickoff meeting – Tuesday January 25, evening

2. Park Maintenance Report

The Veterans Pavilion is closed for the winter. Also, the ball fields are closed. Jason hopes to open by April 1st.

LIAISON REPORTS

ANY OTHER MATTER

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Dan moved to adjourn the meeting. Ann Marie seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday February 3, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in person at the Township Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary