

Parks & Recreation Board

Work Session Meeting Minutes

June 30th, 2020 at 6:00pm

Sherry Nichols, Steve Wolf, Andy Mears, Sean Georgi, Nancy McDowell

Colin Lacey

The work session was conducted via Zoom, link to meeting was posted on the township website for public access.

The work session began with Colin welcoming the Rec Board and opening for public comment. There was no public comment and the meeting proceeded to discuss the Saturday in the Park Event that is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, September 26th, 2020. The Parks & Recreation Board continued to make clear that their previous vote to cancel the event still stands due to safety concerns for the community during the COVID-19 pandemic. The goal of the board is to provide outlets for fun activities but not at the expense of compromising the township's following of State health guidelines. The main priority at this time is to stop the spread of the virus. Promoting any gathering currently compromises the Rec Board's stance.

At the request of the Board of Supervisors the Recreation Board discussed event options that could potentially meet the State's guideline of 250 person gatherings or less and proper social distancing requirements. The Board came up with 2 potential options.

- Option 1: Conduct a Drive-In Fireworks event, where attendees are recommended to remain in their vehicle to watch the display. There are 343 parking spots within Springettsbury Township Park, once the lots are full the fire police would manage the lot. Police will have a presence on sight and stationed at traffic control points. The fire department will be on sight as well. The 3 departments are collectively working together to form an operations plan for the event. The Fireworks would take place within the respective fallout zone from 8:00pm – 8:30pm. National Night Out and Fire Department Demonstrations will not be included in the event as these 2 departments will be staffing the event.
- Option 2: Conduct a Drive-Thru Food Truck Event from 11am-2pm that would also serve as a Food Drive. Event attendees would receive a food voucher for bringing canned goods. We would utilize the 2 turn around parking lots to conduct event. The goal of this option is to provide an event for the community and to make a charitable contribution to the York County Food Bank.

The meeting was adjourned after discussing these potential options. Next meeting will be held on August 10th at 6:00pm via zoom.