

Malvern Parks & Recreation Committee

January 3, 2024 @ 7:01 PM

<i>Present:</i>	Helise Bichefsky- Reilly, Tiffanie Quinn, Emalie Zinni, Angela Riccetti, Brendan Phillips, John Finkbiner, Jessica Anderson, Gail Newman, Sebastian Ieradi, Youth Advocate, Tiffany Loomis, Borough Manager via Zoom, and Aubrey Gruwell-Keating, Office Coordinator.
<i>Absent:</i>	Cynthia Ercole
<i>Next meeting:</i>	February 7, 2024 @ 7:00 PM

Reorganizational Meeting

Selection of Chair

Gail Newman nominated Tiffanie Quinn as Chair. Brendan Phillips nominated Helise Bichefsky- Reilly as chair. Helise and Tiffanie were voted Co-Chair with a vote of 3-3. John Finkbiner and Jessica Anderson abstained from voting.

Selection of Vice- Chair

Gail Newman nominated Emalie Zinni as Vice- Chair. Brendan Phillips nominated Tiffanie Quinn as Vice-Chair. Emalie Zinni was nominated Vice-Chair by a vote of 4-3. John Finkbiner and Jessica Anderson abstained from voting.

Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by John Finkbiner, seconded by Emalie Zinni and carried by a vote of 6-0, to approve the November 1, 2023 meeting minutes. Sebastian Ieradi was in agreement. Brendan Phillips and Angela Riccetti Abstained from voting.

Current Business

Tennis Courts/ Pickleball League

There is a lease being drafted by the Borough Solicitor for the Parks and Recreation Committee to lease the Monument Grounds tennis courts. The specific terms of the lease are TBD. Fred Mannis was in attendance to speak regarding financial conflicts, tidewater, concerns about adding another court, and the flooding.

Residential Survey for Adult Activities

Emalie Zinni will obtain the information on sending a survey out to residents regarding additional programs, Pickleball interest. Emalie Zinni will forward the information to the committee before the survey is sent by Administration.

2022 Comprehensive Plan: Request a Task Force

Parks and Recreation is looking to add ADA Compliant playground equipment in Randolph Woods to implement the aspects from the P&R comprehensive plan. The Borough Administration will speak with the Borough Engineer to see if this is feasible for the space allowed.

Cabin Fever: Saturday, March 2, 2024

The Cabin Fever Event will take place at Borough Hall on Saturday, March 2, 2024 from 1-4PM. The Malvern Public Library will potentially be involved. Administration will reach out to Historic Sugartown to attend and have a craft available. P&R would like to have a face painter and balloon artist in attendance.

New Business

Winter Decorations

Emalie Zinni will draft a survey to be sent to the residents so that they can see what types of events they would like to see held. P&R wants to be more inclusive of teens and adults.

Summer Camp: Brendan

Brendan Phillips proposed that P&R work with UMLY to run a summer camp for the Borough. Brendan Phillips will work to obtain a proposal.

Winter Newsletter 2024

Tiffanie Quinn will submit a maze or crossword puzzle to place in the Winter edition of the Borough Broadcaster.

Leora Marion: Malvern Community Choir

Leora Marion is a member of the Malvern Arts Community Choir, whom are trying to grow in numbers and want to be a part of the Parks and Recreation Events. They currently have 15 members and will need around 1 month preparation for an event. Men and women interested are encouraged to join.

Budget Request

Brendan Phillips motioned to request the March and April event yard sign purchases up to \$500. Angela Riccetti Seconded the motion and it was approved by a vote of 8-0. Sebastian Ieradi was in agreement.

Brendan Phillips motioned to request a budget for Cabin Fever, not to exceed \$1,400. Angela Riccetti seconded the motion, and it was approved by a vote of 8-0. Sebastian Ieradi was in agreement.

Review of Completed Events

Christmas on King St: Jessica Anderson shared some resident complaints about Christmas on King. Some residents wish there was a heater above the station, as well as a light. There were also comments about the craft not being prepared in advance.

Future Events

Randolph Woods Nature Preserve Camp Out- Late Spring 2024

Alcohol licensing at events

Park Placards: Historic Commission

Legacy Trees: Historic Commission/STC

Mahjong/ MPL

Egg Hunt: Saturday, March 23, 2024

Movie Night W/MPL: Friday, April 26, 2024

Community Yard Sale: Saturday, May 4, 2024

S'mores in the Park

Malvern on Ice

Perennial Party

Michele Matherly: Events for Adults with Special Needs Presentation

Art in the Park

Saturdays on Stage

Makers Day for Hobbyists

Programs with Adults for Special Needs

Trivia/ Quizzo Night-TBD

Public Comment

John Buckley was in attendance and made a public comment on the Pickleball League and about Council.

Joe Ranaduo was in attendance and made a public comment that he would volunteer to help with the car show event and encouraged the committee to plan the Quizzo nights.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 2, 2024 at 7:00PM located at Borough Hall and via Zoom.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Brendan Phillips to adjourn the meeting, and Angela Riccetti seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:21PM with a vote of 8-0. Sebastian Ieradi was in agreement with the adjournment.