

## Malvern Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes

October 6, 2021

<i>Present:</i>	Helise Bichesky-Reilly, Chair, Angela Lewis, Vice-Chair, John Finkbiner, Angela Riccetti, Andy Johnson, Tiffanie Quinn, Emalie Zinnie, and Tiffany M. Loomis, Interim Borough Manger
<i>Absent:</i>	Brendan Phillips & Gail Newman
<i>Next meeting:</i>	November 1, 2021 @ 7:00PM

### New Business

Welcome to our newest P&R Member - Emalie Zinni

#### **Art in the Park- Tiffanie Quinn**

Contact Gallery 222 for a potential artist that can do a program for the community. Program is projected for November 2021, weather permitting, but can be scheduled for Spring

#### **Garden Projects- Tiffanie Quinn**

Reviewed various ideas for this event. This project will be great in conjunction with the work the EAC is accomplishing. The EAC is looking to create a community event around the Rain Garden installation proposed for Quann Park. Currently the Farmers Market does host a table from a local composting company. It does not appear to be the same company that did a presentation at our meeting. P&R will revisit different garden-type events in the Spring.

### Old Business

#### **2022 Budget – Helise Bichesky-Reilly & Angela Lewis**

P&R reviewed where our current budgeted monies go regarding planned events. Due to the "shutdowns" from COVID, P&R has spent minimal funds from this line item. Inventory items will be purchased to support all events moving forward given the surplus of funds. The items are, but not limited to, tents, a canopy, a wagon, and more permanent event decorations. Andy Johnson and Helise Bichesky-Reilly had some ideas for park renovations that can come out of the capital expenditures budget. They will work with Interim Borough Manager Tiffany Loomis to finalize the 2022 budget.

#### **Eagle Scout Project- Helise Bichesky-Reilly**

Ben Lang has almost completed his project. He built a message board in Rubino Park. He initially stated he was going to build two boards, but decreased it to one due to the cost of materials. It was a big undertaking and the project turned out amazing. Ben Lang will make a presentation to Borough Council and turn over the keys for the signage board. The wood is pressure treated but will not be stained. Ben Lang explained that the wood needs to be weathered and untreated for a few years to maximize its longevity.

#### **ADA Compliant park equipment- Helise Bichesky-Reilly, Andy Johnson, & Emalie Zinnie**

Changes to Rubino, Burke and Quann Parks were discussed. Burke Park could use a rope swing and a climbing cave. Rubino Park has enough space to make additions with equipment purchases. Discussed the extent of the presentation that will need to be made to Borough Council to get this project onto year 2022's budget. The project needs to be research to identify costs, type of ADA equipment available, and placement of equipment.

#### **Monday Night Workout- Angela Lewis**

Completed. Great event with good turn-out.

**Craft Bags to Go- Helise Bichesky-Reilly & Angela Lewis**

The bags have generic items that can be used for the Monster Mash Halloween Event.

**Food Drive- Angela Riccetti & Angela Lewis**

A bin will be provided at the Campout for collections.

**StoryBook Walk- Helise Bichesky-Reilly**

The program will begin on 10-24, set up the day prior, and run for one (1) week. Volunteers are not needed for this program.

**Pumpkins and Spooky Bags- Gail Newman & Tiffanie Quinn**

Halloween bags from 2 years ago will be used. P&R will decorate the Gazebo with corn stalks that are to be purchased in the near future. Previous year decoration will also be used to decorate the park. 500 pumpkins are being purchased to be handed out to the Community on Saturday, October 30, 2021. Location to be determined.

**Halloween Parade- Helise Bichesky-Reilly & Tiffanie Quinn**

Cancelled. Contact the Police Chief to plan a scaled back Halloween Event with the Fire Company.

**Randolph Woods Camp Out- Brendan Phillips & Andy Johnson**

Planned and confirmed for 10/8/2021. Inventory has been purchased for this event and can be used again next year. Council Member Joe Bones will be the education speaker.

**Reports**

**Social Media- Tiffanie Quinn**

Tiffanie Quinn will get the social media account information in her name moving forward. Emalie Zinnie and she will be photographers for the web media sites that are created. Facebook and Instagram are the focus. P&R will use previous flyers and update them for our events, rather than recreate new ones each time, as well as create a LOGO.

**Borough Updates – None**

**Park Ambassadors**

Emalie Zinnie will work with Andy Johnson at Quann Park to decorate.

Rubino Park-Everyone is directed to check out the new signage board.

**Randolph Woods- Helise Bichesky-Reilly & Brendan Phillips**

Macadam was put down instead of dirt at the parking lot at the lower bridge. This matter needs to be addressed.

**Borough Council - None**

**Public Comment**

No public comments was made.

**Informational Item**

The next meeting, due to Election Day being scheduled on 11/2/2021, is scheduled for Monday, November 1, 2021.