

Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting
Tuesday, February 21, 2023
6:00 pm

MINUTES

Committee: Chairman, Mr. Moore, Mr. Carminito, Ms. Dugan, and Mr. Weiss

Public Members: Janet Hunter

Staff: Mr. Krack, Ms. Gibbons, Ms. Getzfread, and Mr. Watson

I. Call to Order at 6:00 pm

II. Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items

Eric Schmidt asked whether the approved budget for the BAC remains in place since this Committee has absorbed their work.

Mr. Krack explained that the 2023 budget remains in effect and that Colonial Gardens would still manage the plantings and watering throughout the year as scheduled. He also suggested that they work together to review any remaining BACK items are brought forward to this Committee.

III. Presentations - None

IV. Committee Member Updates/Discussions

Mr. Moore stated that he was very pleased with the new sidewalk work recently completed in Reeves Park.

Ms. Gibbons reported the ramps and railings were installed at Reeves Park, the contract was approved for lighting at Veterans Park, and the Mountain Bike Park work continues.

V. New Business

A. Review Parks and Recreation Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Krack stated that he added this to the Agenda because there was some disparity with the language in the Ordinance and that which is on the signs. He thought it a good idea for the Committee members to review and make any additional recommendations. He also gave background on whether there should be posted hours on the trails.

Mr. Moore asked the Committee to bring their recommendations to the next meeting in March.

- B. Motion to recommend Borough Council approve a Temporary Community Event Application for Earth Festival at Reservoir Park on Saturday, April 22, 2023 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Franklin Street above Fillmore and the Reservoir Parking Lot to be closed from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm. Conditioned upon receipt of valid Certificate of Insurance naming Borough as Additional Insured.

Ms. Dugan made a motion to recommend Borough Council approve the application. Seconded by Mr. Weiss. Motion passed 4-0.

- C. Motion to recommend Borough Council approve a Temporary Community Event Application for the Annual Dogwood Festival from May 17 through May 20, 2023 (6:00 pm to 10:00 pm Wed - Fri) and (12:00 Noon to 10:00 pm on Saturday). Streets to be closed are 2nd and 3rd Avenue between Main and Starr Streets throughout the event. For the Dogwood Parade, Franklin Avenue between Fillmore Street and Bridge Street, Grant Street between Fairview Street and Ann Street, and Main Street from Bridge Street to 5th Avenue at 11:00 pm to 2:00 pm on Saturday, May 20, 2023 for the parade. Conditioned upon receipt of valid Certificate of Insurance naming Borough as Additional Insured.

Mr. Weiss made a motion to recommend Borough Council approve the application. Seconded by Ms. Dugan. Motion passed 4-0.

- D. Motion to recommend Borough Council approve a Temporary Community Event Application for Phoenixville Police Department National Night Out on Tuesday, August 1, 2023 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Recreation Center Parking Lot at 501 Franklin Avenue.

Ms. Dugan made a motion to recommend Borough Council approve the application. Seconded by Mr. Weiss. Motion passed 4-0.

- E. Motion to recommend Borough Council approve a Temporary Community Event Application for the Phoenixville Blues Festival in Reeves Park on Saturday, September 9, 2023 from 12:00 noon to 10:00 pm. Third Avenue closed between Main and B Street from 9:00 am to 12:00 midnight. Conditioned upon receipt of valid Certificate of Insurance naming Borough as Additional Insured.

Ms. Dugan made a motion to recommend Borough Council approve the application. Seconded by Mr. Weiss.

Mr. DiGuiseppe stated that he would like to add a Beer Garden to his application as that would provide greater opportunity to fund the overall festival.

Mr. Krack stated that if the Committee were in agreement, the motion should be to amend the original motion to include the approval of a Beer Garden and that the location for the Beer Garden should be on Third Avenue.

Mr. Carminito made a motion to amend the original motion as recommended. Seconded by Mr. Weiss. Motion to amend passed 4-0.

Original Motion as amended passed 4-0.

Motion passed 4-0.

- F. Motion to recommend Borough Council approve a Temporary Community Event Application for the Phoenixville Green Earth Festival under the Veterans Memorial Gay Street Bridge and along the French Creek Trail on Saturday, September 23, 2023 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Conditioned upon receipt of valid Certificate of Insurance naming Borough as Additional Insured.

Ms. Dugan made a motion to recommend Borough Council approve the application. Seconded by Mr. Weiss. Motion passed 4-0.

- G. Motion to recommend Borough Council approve a Temporary Community Event Application for Movie in the Park at Reeves Park or Pat Nattle Ball Field on Saturday, September 23, 2023 from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm. Conditioned upon receipt of all fees and valid Certificate of Insurance naming Borough as Additional Insured.

Ms. Dugan made a motion to recommend Borough Council approve the application. Seconded by Mr. Carminito.

Discussion was had regarding which location.

Ms. Klinedinst and Ms. Burckley indicated their recommendation would be Reeves Park.

Mr. Weiss made a motion to amend the original motion to only include Reeves Park. Seconded by Mr. Carminito. Motion to amend passed 4-0.

Original Motion as amended passed 4-0.

VI. Current Focus Business - None

VII. Public Participation - None

VIII. Adjournment at 6:50 pm by Mr. Weiss.

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 6:00 pm