

Mt. Lebanon Sports Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

September 6, 2018 - 8:00 p.m.

Municipal Building Room C

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Stacey Franklin called the meeting to order and David Donnellan called the roll. The meeting was attended by board members Dale Cable, Chris Curran, Tom Donati, Stacey Franklin, Don Gavett, Lynn Hagan, James Menegazzi, and Chad Wertz. The meeting was also attended by Recreation Director David Donnellan.

Brian Auer, Mark Cooke, Chip Dalesandro, Dave Franklin, and Walt Henry were absent.

2. Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

3. Approval of the April 5, 2018 Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved as submitted.

4. Recreation Center Feasibility Study

Mr. Donnellan reported that he submitted the study in the 2019 recreation budget request as an expansion level, and that it will be reviewed by the manager. He said the Commission will review the budget in November and approve in December.

5. Update on 2018 Sports Related Projects

Mr. Donnellan updated on 2018 sports related projects as follows:

- a. Basketball Courts Improvements: The court lighting is done and looks very good. The other improvements (court resurfacing, backboards and benches) were bid 3 times with no bidders. The Municipality is getting quotes for just resurfacing, and will attempt to complete the job this fall. If not, it would be carried over to spring. Replacement of the backboards and benches will be done in-house, or will go through a separate bidding process if there are funds left over.

- b. Golf Course Bunker Liners: This project was also bid 3 times and bids were over budget each time. Modifications were made to the bid specifications to make the project more cost-effective, including using different liner material and eliminating a few bunkers. This project will be rebid early in 2019.
- c. Rec Center Lighting Project: The project is nearly complete, with only a few punchlist items remaining.

6. Recreation Advertising Opportunities

Mr. Donnellan reported that 7 ballfield banners and 9 dasher board ads were sold this year. Ballfield banners expire on April 1. The cost will increase by \$100 in 2019, but will include production of the banner. The net cost to the advertiser will be about the same. Most dasher board ads will be renewed in January. The cost will remain the same for 2019. Mr. Donnellan expressed his appreciation to the board for the support and assistance in selling advertising, and asked for continued help.

The board requested a list of current advertisers.

7. New Business

Mr. Menagazzi inquired about a banner at Seymour Field that was detaching from the fence. Mr. Donnellan said the maintenance of the banner is the Baseball Association's responsibility, and that they would fix it.

Mrs. Franklin asked about a rumor that pickleball will be held at the tennis center where the practice wall is located. Mr. Donnellan said was not aware of that; however, the pickleball court project in Meadowcroft Park is included in the 2019-2023 CIP. He said the other high priority projects proposed by the board were also included in the CIP, along with their rankings.

Regarding the smaller projects, Mr. Donnellan said the heaters for platform tennis courts 3 and 4 were replaced due to a major contribution from the platform tennis association, and that a few new snack bar tables for the swim center were purchased from the operating budget. He said the only remaining smaller project from the board's list was to improve the infield drainage at Brafferton Field.

Mrs. Franklin said she was contacted by someone from fast pitch softball who said they had a grant from the Pirates to improve Jefferson Field, and that fill could possibly be used at Brafferton. She said he may be contacting the Municipality.

8. Announcements

A citizen named Mindy Ranney stated she attended the meeting to learn about sports in the community. She expressed her appreciation of the recreation facilities.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.