

## **Mt. Lebanon Sports Advisory Board**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**March 4, 2021 - 8:00 p.m.**

*Location: The meeting will be held remotely via Microsoft Teams.*

#### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Amanda Rost called the meeting to order, and David Donnellan called the roll. The meeting was attended by board members Dave Franklin, Don Gavett, Lynn Hagan, Walt Henry, Stacie Hill, Tom Langston, Megan O'Brakta, Amanda Rost, Shelly Saba, Ian Smith and Chad Wertz.

The meeting was also attended by Commissioner Mindy Ranney, Athletic Director, John Grogan and Recreation Director David Donnellan.

Tom Donati was absent.

#### 2. Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

#### 3. Approval of the February 4, 2021 Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved as submitted.

#### 4. Futsal/Multipurpose Court Project Update (Mindy Ranney)

Mindy Ranney reported that the municipality was to meet with Mt. Lebanon Soccer Association Representatives, but an update was not available yet.

Shelly Saba reported that there was a tight timeline before the vendor would increase the price.

#### 5. Future Commission Discussion Session

Ms. Rost reported that the Sports Advisory Board was on the Commission Discussion Session agenda on Tuesday, March 9 at 6:35 p.m. Planned topics for discussion included communication with Commission, field census, the board's

project prioritization and a discretionary fund for the board's use for funding projects. It was agreed that Walt Henry, Shelly Saba and Chad Wertz would assist Ms. Rost with the presentation.

Ms. Ranney requested that Commission Updates be added to future SAB agendas. She reported that there would be 5 positions open on the SAB next month, and that the Commission was reviewing resumes and would appoint people to the board. She requested input from the board regarding the vacant positions, including 4 sports group representatives and one at large. Chad Wertz suggested keeping major sports representatives. Walt Henry suggested an engineer or construction estimator. Stacie Hill suggested someone with grant writing or fundraising experience.

Ms. Ranney shared that Commission held a strategic planning retreat to prioritize projects for 2021. The goals included a DEI initiative, Parks Master Plan/Rec. Center Feasibility Study, Municipal Website Redesign, Advisory Board Restructuring, Vibrant Uptown Phase I, Overnight Parking Ordinance and other initiatives.

#### 6. Sports Organizations Communication and Data Meeting

Amanda Rost reported that the survey would be distributed to 9 independent organizations in the next week or so. She mentioned soccer, softball, tackle football, flag football, lacrosse, field hockey, baseball, adult softball and cheerleading. This would cover independent organizations that use fields. Other groups such as basketball and swimming could be included later for input on issues such as background clearances and uniform purchasing.

#### 7. Recognition of Board Members Donati, Gavett, Franklin and Henry

The board thanked Tom Donati, Don Gavett, Dave Franklin, and Walt Henry for their service as their terms on the board were ending.

#### 8. New Business

Since the scheduled April 1 meeting would be during spring break, the board agreed to move the meeting to Thursday, April 8.

#### 9. Announcements

Walt Henry announced that there was a nice article on pickleball in the current issue of the magazine.

David Donnellan reported that the Recreation Department increased occupancy at the ice rink to 140 people, which allows for two people per player during games.

He also reported that he would present the Swim Center Reopening plan to the Commission on March 9.

#### 10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8: 50 p.m.