

Mt. Lebanon Sports Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

May 5, 2022 - 8 p.m.

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, Michael Diven, Andrew Grobe, Tom Langston, Kristen Reisinger, Amanda Rost, Shelly Saba, Ian Smith and Stephen Strotmeyer.

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

Ed Cipriano, Stacie Hill, Kari Resler, Katie Sharon and Chad Wertz were absent.

2. Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

3. Approval of the April 7, 2022 Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved as submitted.

4. Commissioner Report

Commissioner Ranney highlighted page 20 from the parks and recreation study "Decision Making Considerations." The report included the following:

Tier 1:

Woodland Parks and Invasive Species Management Plans- was approved.
Signage, Wayfinding and Connectivity- will be discussed later. Already in motion.
Evaluation of Field Usage and Efficiency
Improvements to Brafferton Field
Create a Decision-Making Plan and Target Market Evaluation for the Rec Center

Tier 2:

Decide Whether Main Park Master Plan Will Be Pursued
Improve Coordination and Communication with School District on Shared Facilities

5. Field Census

There was no report.

6. Recreation Center Feasibility Study/Parks Master Plan

Commissioner Ranney reported that the Parks and Recreation Plan was accepted and posted to the website. She highlighted portions of the Resolution adopting the plan.

7. Prioritization of Sports Related Improvement Projects

Sports related improvement projects were reviewed and prioritized and appear at the end of the minutes.

8. Recreation Department Advertising

Mr. Donnellan reported that the Mt. Lebanon Wrestling Association purchased a new banner at the ballfields.

9. Standardized Field Signage Proposal

A motion was made to recommend that Tom Langston and Mindy Ranney form a subcommittee with two members of the Parks Advisory Board to work on the standardized sign proposal. The motion carried.

10. Appointment to Comprehensive Plan Advisory Group

A motion was made to appoint Andy Grobe to the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Group. The motion carried.

11. New Business

There was no new business.

12. Announcements

Mr. Donnellan announced that pickleball lines were painted on the tennis courts at Meadowcroft Park today.

Amanda Rost announced that the next meeting would be held on September 8, 2022 at 8 p.m.

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:54 p.m.

Overall Rank	Area/Rank	Project	\$ Tier	Estimated Cost	Contribution/Offset	Net Municipal Cost	Impact Score	Impact Notes	Comments	PRP Reference
<u>Recreation Center/Ice Rink (Building Projects)</u>										
5	1	Ice Rink Resurfacers	B	\$ 185,000.00		\$ 185,000.00	***	Both resurfacers are past their prime. If they both go, ice rink becomes unusable.	Replaced 1997 Zamboni. 2023 pricing.	
9	2	Rec Center Renovation Architectural Study	B							
<u>Main Park including Dixon, Seymour, and Middle Fields</u>										
1	1	Light Seymour and Middle Fields	A	\$ 585,000.00	\$ -	\$ 585,000.00	****	Adding lights to Seymour adds approximately 290 hours of field time for 14 week spring season and 165 hours of time for 12 week fall season. Approximately \$14,560 additional field rental fees at \$32 per hr.	New poles and LED lighting for both fields. 2023 cost. Should be coordinated with turf replacement around 2025.	
2	2	Seymour/Middle Turf Replacement	A	\$ 700,000.00	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 400,000.00	****	Seymour and middle fields were permitted for 2,260 hours in the spring and fall of 2021 (26 weeks). Every single youth organization utilizes the field at some point in the year. Approximately 3,000 youth athletes participate in sports that use the field.	Replace synthetic turf on the fields. 2023 cost. Current turf life expectancy is to 2025.	
	3	Enhance fields and spectator areas	B				**	Dangerous for spectators to sit along sidewalk; Alternative is to watch from on the field which encourages the placement of chairs and other prohibited items on the field, Increases possibility of turf damage	Replace fencing along Cedar Blvd; incorporate spectator area	
<u>Tennis & Paddle Center</u>										
7	1	Tennis Courts 1-8 Lighting Replacement	A	\$ 275,000.00		\$ 275,000.00			Replace all lights on Courts 1-8 with LEDs, and 5 poles and conduit and wire for Courts 1-6. 2022 cost.	
	2	Tennis Court Reconstruction of Courts 5-6	A/B	\$ 255,570.00	\$ 115,006.50	\$ 140,563.50			Replace tennis courts 5 and 6 including subsurface irrigation with contributions from Indoor Tennis (45 %). 2022 cost.	
<u>Bird Park</u>										
4	1	Fix stormwater and drainage issues, and renovate athletic area to enable increased field availability. (Recommend Turf athletic field)	A				****	Bird park was permitted 969.75 hours (91-97% permit rate) in spring and fall of 2021 (26 weeks). Limitations on actual use due to field conditions, limited parking, and lack of storm shelter. After Cedar turf fields, this is Mt. Lebanon's asset with the most potential impact on youth sports.	Drainage issues must be resolved before addressing field conditions. Multiple lines in PRP: Monitor stormwater drainage status and any areas in need of attention, Monitor stormwater drainage status and any areas in need of attention, Establish a remediation plan for drainage issues, Optimize stormwater management techniques to minimize erosion and sedimentation impacts	B.1.3, C.1.2
11	2	Add permanent restrooms and pavilion (storm shelter) near athletic field	B				**	Thousands of people use the athletic field each year and there is only one porta potty.		C.3.3
	3	Renovated and expand parking area down Beadling Rd.	A				**	Recreation soccer program limited by parking. They could better utilize the fields if there was additional parking.	Improve with striping and ADA space allocation and increase size of lot going down Beadling towards Washington Rd.	E.1.4
<u>Sunset Hills Park/ Brafferton Field</u>										
3	1	Brafferton Field Improvements - convert infield and improve drainage, fencing	B	\$ 70,000.00		\$ 70,000.00	***	Improves conditions of an underutilized, poor quality field. Brafferton is fully permitted in the spring (507 hours) but only 58% in the fall (264 hours). Actual utilization rates are lower due to poor drainage. Brafferton as a rectangle is about 1.25 acre compared to a football field which is 1.5 acres. This is a sizeable asset worth the investment.	Remove backstop and install sod over the existing infield. Necessary fencing repairs will be made and drainage will be added to the field. 2023 cost.	C.1.2

Recreation Center/Ice Rink (Building Projects)									
2	Futsal/Multi-purpose Court Resurfacing 1	B	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ -	***	Takes a completely unused/unpermitted municipality property and makes it usefully to multiple sports organizations (MLSA, MLFHA, MTLA), while improving the conditions and maintaining the original intent (basketball) for the community surrounding the park. There are approximately 950 hours in fall and spring to permit this space. At \$10/hr that would be roughly \$9,500 of new income in just 26 weeks.	Resurface Brafferton basketball courts with a sports tile product, which would serve various sports. Contractor pricing was only guaranteed through February 15, 2021. MLSA offered to fully fund the project in exchange for priority use and other conditions.	
3	Expand current parking	A				***	Increased field usage comes with a need for more parking.		
Meadowcroft Park									
6	1 (1/2 options) Pickleball Court Project 1 (Select 1 of 2)	B	\$ 50,700.00	\$ -	\$ 50,700.00	***	Meets demands of growing population of people playing pickleball. Aligns Mt. Lebanon with surrounding communities offerings.	Convert existing tennis courts into 6 pickleball courts in Meadowcroft Park. 2022 cost. Existing pavement with white striping.	
	2 (1/2 options) Pickleball Court Project 2 - Low Cost Option (Select 1 of 2)	C	\$ 23,500.00	\$ -	\$ 23,500.00	***	Meets demands of growing population of people playing pickleball. Aligns Mt. Lebanon with surrounding communities offerings.	Lower cost option that uses tennis nets as backstops and eliminates fencing, and other cost reducing measures.	
3	North Meadowcroft Phase III (Basketball Courts)	A	\$ 357,500.00		\$ 357,500.00			Repave basketball court and replace lights. 2023 pricing. Renovate basketball court (paving, lights, etc.) and landscape entire sight and amenities.	
Mt. Lebanon Golf Course									
8	1 Golf Course Cart Path Improvements- Phase 2	B	\$ 101,090.00	\$ -	\$ 101,090.00			Install & extend cart paths on holes 2, 3, 7 & 8. 2022 prices.	C.1.3
	2 Golf Course Restroom	B	\$ 58,250.00	\$ -	\$ 58,250.00			Prefabricated toilet facility. No utilities. 2023 prices.	C.1.3
	3 Golf Course Pavilion	B	\$ 98,000.00	\$ -	\$ 98,000.00			2023 prices.	C.1.3
	4 Renovate the Clubhouse	A							C.1.3
All Parks									
10	Park signage, entrance areas and wayfinding for all parks and fields. Includes new entrances for Tennis Center, Golf Course, and Bird Park.	C				****			F.1.1-3
	Enhance basketball court spaces for "pick-up" activities, add ADA access where applicable	B						Mentioned for Iroquois, Williamsburg, Rockwood parks. Not Country Club?	
	Rec Center Site Analysis	A							
	Expand/Renovate Existing Recreation Center	A							C.1.1
\$ Tier Definitions									
A	\$200,000+								
B	\$30-\$200,000								
C	<\$30,000								
Impact score out of 4 stars									
****Need to define further and add more data									