

PARKS, RECREATION & PUBLIC PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING
JUNE 2, 2016
3:30 P.M.

The following persons were present for the meeting: Chairperson Nicole Houck, Committee Member Ron Enyeart and Jim Bair; Council members Donna Isenberg, James Decker, Sr., Junior Councilperson Madison Troha, Assistant Borough Secretary Melody J. Parsons, and Borough Manager William W. Wheeler.

Chairperson Houck called the meeting to order.

Chairperson Houck announced that she would be conducting the meeting as the Committee Rules state. Any visitors requesting to speak may do so at the beginning and then hold all comments until the end.

VISITORS: See attached sign in sheet.

RECOGNIZE GUESTS AND PUBLIC COMMENT: There was not any public comment at this time.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Brown was not in attendance.

OLD BUSINESS:

UPDATE ON MURAL PROJECT AT WEAVER: Junior Councilperson Troha stated that she did not have an update on the Mural Project at Weaver Park.

WATER TANK MURAL REMOVAL: Manager Wheeler reported that Alyssa is trying to get an artist she will keep him updated.

CEMETARY PAVING: Manager Wheeler will get the RFP ready for the cemetery paving.

NO SMOKING SIGNS: Manager Wheeler reported that the "No Smoking" signs have been put up.

250th CELEBRATION UPDATE: Chairperson Houck reported that the sub-committees have been assigned for planning the 250th Celebration. The celebration will begin with a Farmer's market. There will be different events throughout the weekend including a parade and a dance. There will also be a non-dominational church service.

Councilperson Decker if there will any portion of the celebration honoring vets.
Chairperson Houck responded yes there will be.

NEW BUSINESS:

PARKS SURVEY RESULTS: Chairperson Houck reviewed results of the survey. She stated one main suggestion was more police protection at Portstown Park. Manager Wheeler stated that this can be brought up in public safety committee. Another concern is the trash. There was also a suggestion for mulching. Manager Wheeler explained that we are required to have 12” of mulch. He will check on the mulching. Chairperson Houck suggested reaching out to Ryan Gibboney regarding help with mulching and landscaping.

Chairperson Houck reported that the picnic tables have been removed from Flag Pole Hill. Councilperson Isenberg stated that another suggestion was an Ice Skating Rink. She asked if one could be put at Weaver’s Park. Manager Wheeler will look into the price of a portable ice skating rink. President Quarry stated he would like to see a dog park put over by Laney’s.

Councilperson Decker stated a security question was noted saying that we do not enforce things in the borough. He stated the originally Flag Pole was open from Memorial Day thru Labor Day and from sun rise to sun set. This will also be put in Public Safety Committee.

Councilperson Gradwell asked if the Community Center is running the playground program at Weaver’s Park this year. Manager Wheeler will contact them.

NAMING PARK BY LANEY’S: Chairperson Houck explained that she received an email from Linda Goodman requesting to rename the park by Laney’s to John Radar Park. He kept the park maintained. She stated just to make sure we are all on the same page, this is an extension of Portstown Park. Manager Wheeler will get in touch with Linda Goodman to let her know that.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Executive Session 4:10 pm

Reconvened 4:20 pm

ADJOURNMENT:

BY: Melody J. Parsons
Assistant Borough Secretary