

Tuscora Park Board Meeting April 17, 2021

The Tuscora Park board meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m.

Members in Attendance: Tom Farbizo, Jim Range, Dave Frantz, Denver Gallentine, and Phil Tidrick Excused Absence: Bill Morgan, Courtney Shalosky, and Jan McInturf Guests in Attendance: Rod Miller, Chase Hostetler, Aimee May, and Mayor Joel Day

Approval of March 17th, 2021 Meeting Minutes:

- 1st: Tom Farbizo
- 2nd: Denver Gallentine
- Vote: Passed unanimously

Park Director's Report:

Rod Miller informed the board that the city is struggling to find seasonal employees for summer 2021, this includes general laborers and lifeguards. Although they are planning to open the rides and pool the Friday before Memorial Day, Rod recommended to postpone pool pass sales due to Covid and staffing. Dave Frantz agreed with this idea and made a motion before the board to postpone pool passes. Phil Tidrick seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Day reported that the 3rd reading of Resolution 13-2021 (the Stadium Lease Agreement between the City of New Philadelphia and New Philadelphia City Schools) will be on the agenda at the next council meeting on Monday April 26th, 2021.

Tuscora Park Foundation Report:

The Tuscora Park Foundation has received great response to the reconstruction of the basketball courts. They have been given \$25,000 from Rosenberry Towing, \$1,000 from the New Philadelphia High School Boys Basketball Team, \$15,000 from the city and they have now been offered \$45,000 from the Reeves Foundation. Tom Farbizo made a motion to accept the \$45,000 offered to them from the Reeves Foundation and Phil Tidrick seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

A follow up meeting has been set with the Race Street Riders on Thursday April 22nd for further discussion about repairs needed at the New Philadelphia Skate Park.

The Southside Community Park is nearing completion but there is still a list of small projects that need addressed. Some of the incomplete projects include the restrooms, drinking fountains at the dog park, and the straightening of fencing. Parking is also a concern since Service Director McAbier was just recently notified that no one will be able to park in the designated areas for at least 6 months.

Planning continues for the Grand Opening Chicken BBQ at the Southside Park on June 19th from 11am-2pm. Current sponsors include Kemp Insurance, Mike & Elizabeth Ernest, We Love Pets, Pets Place, and McInturf Realty. Each sponsor is for \$250.00. Tickets for the BBQ will be sold for \$10.00 each.

The First Town Days Festival is planned for July 1st-July 4th but there will not be any queen events this year. A sponsor is needed for the July 4th Fireworks at Tuscora Park; the cost required is \$12,000. Summer Showcase is also scheduled for this summer and will begin on Memorial Day.

New Business:

Rod Miller and Tom Farbizo are going to start getting estimates for new restrooms at Tuscora Park along with Pickel Ball Courts. Ron McAbier is also going to acquire information and pricing on an extension of the road at the Southside Park, extending to the Soccer Fields.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m. on a motion from Tom Farbizo and seconded by Dave Frantz.

Meeting minutes submitted by Phil Tidrick.

Next Meeting: Wednesday May 20th, 2021 at 12:00 p.m.