

**SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP
PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2019 AT 7:30 P.M.
MINUTES OF MEETING**

1. Call to Order (*E. Croke*)

Kerry Boccella	Member
Jeannine DePaul Nelson	Member
Dave Morris	Member
Adrienne Smythe	Member
Christopher Tomlinson	Member
Emily Croke	Director of Parks and Recreation
Eddie T. Graham, Esq.	Commissioner

2. Approval of Minutes from May (*All*)

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee unanimously approved.

3. Administrative Report (*E. Croke*)

Ms. Croke introduced herself as the new Director of Parks and Recreation. She informed the committee of the new Springfield Township Parks and Recreation social media accounts:

Facebook Handle: Springfield Township Parks and Recreation
@springfieldmontcoparksandrec

Instagram Handle: Springfield Township Parks and Rec
@springfieldmontcoparksandrec

The department has decided to transition to RecDesk and released it to the general public:

RecDesk: <https://springfieldmontco.recdesk.com/Community/Home>

Ms. Croke noted that the 2020 Proposed Budget has been submitted. She mentioned 2020 – 2023 Mowing Contract will go out for bid later this fall.

4. Recreation Report (*E. Croke*)

The Parks and Recreation Department wrapped up summer camps on August 28th. Springfield Township hosted 47 different programs between May and August. Over 1,050 individuals participated in these programs. 41 programs consisted of over 960 participants and were run by contacted instructors.

Kidz Klubhouse Day Camp had 94 registrants over the 6 week long program. Kidz Klubhouse is the only camp run in-house by seasonal township staff.

The Summer Concert Series consisted of two shows in August. The Monkeephiles performed on August 8th and Play It Forward Band performed on August 22nd. Both shows experienced a clear night and crowd of around 60 people.

Fall Youth Soccer registration opened on February 1st and closed on August 5th. The co-ed Pee Wee League (ages 4-5) has 160 children registered. The Youth League (ages 6-8) has 80 boys and 79 girls registered.

Fall 2019/Winter 2020 program contracts have been sent out. All programs will be listed on RecDesk for the general public to see. No account is needed to view programs. To register for a program, individuals will need to create an account.

5. Park Report (*E. Croke*)

- **Bysher Park:** Construction project set to begin late September.
- **Connor James McKelvie Community Park:** Pole pads were replaced.
- **Henry R. Chiamonte Park:** No Issues.
- **James A. Cisco Park:** No Issues.
- **James R. Fulginiti Park:** No Issues.
- **Laurel Beech Park:** No Issues.
- **Marlow Field:** No Issues.
- **Mermaid Park:** No Issues.
- **Sandy Run Park:** No Issues.
- **Veterans Park:** No Issues
- **Wyndhill Park:** No Issues.
- **Springfield Township Recreation Center A:** No Issues.
- **Springfield Township Recreation Center B:** No Issues.
- **General:** Penn Turf will be taking over turf maintenance in 2020. On Friday, August 30th, Penn Turf seeded Cisco Park, Laurel Beech Park and Veterans Park.

6. Old Business (*All*)

Ms. Croke noted the Little League Softball one year trial is coming to an end. The board will discuss plans for ICGSL and Little League Softball at October's meeting.

7. New Business (*All*)

The request for park rentals needs to be adjusted to match current industry trends. The request for use should include specifications such as who may apply (residents and/or non-residents), total number of attendees and a fee association.

Community Center Rental process is in need of an overhaul. An up to date rental contract will be proposed to the committee at the October Meeting.

Community Day will host a Rubber Ducky Derby on October 6th. Details can be found at <https://erdenheimcivic.org/>

8. School District Property Committee Update (*E. Croke*)

9. Commissioners' Report (*E. Graham*)

10. Call for Adjournment (*E. Croke*)

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.