

CARLISLE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING

The Carlisle Parks and Recreation Board held a meeting Thursday, May 4, 2023 at 7:00 pm at Stuart Community Center.

The following board members were present: Chairman, Bob Schmidlein, Katie Maxwell, Christopher Bratton, Curtis Stevens and Whitney Baker.

Borough Council Liaison, Cate Mellen, Parks & Recreation Director, Andrea Crouse and Recreation Assistant, Lashaun Marshall were also in attendance. Board members Jennifer Love and Eric Oakman did not attend. There were no guests.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Chairman, Bob Schmidlein at 7:01pm.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Minutes from April 6, 2023 meeting were approved.

Stevens/Maxwell

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Carlisle Community Pool

The Carlisle Community Pool is set for opening day on Saturday, May 27. Recreation and Pool Manager Kristin Zeigler will be leaving the Carlisle and Recreation Department, with her last day being Wednesday May 10, 2023. Due to her departure, job listings for Seasonal Pool Manager and Full-time Recreation and Pool Manager are posted and applications are being accepted. Other job postings for the 2023 pool season include lifeguards and admission attendants.

Parks Maintenance

Due to staff shortages, the current Park Maintainers will be reporting to the Public Works Department supervisor in a piloted program in an effort to pull resources to assist with borough parks and facilities.

Fairground Avenue Linear Park

LandServ Inc., the contractor for the Lot D project has provided a schedule for project completion. They have placed the construction fence around Lot D and will place the silt fence this week. Construction will be underway in June. An extension and scope change for the DCNR grant will be requested.

Fort LeTort Rebuild

On Thursday, April 28 and Friday, April 29 picket pick up took place. Unfortunately there was some confusion between the Kiwanis Club and the contractor that posed a problem with having enough people to help assist residents with removal. All pickets have now been removed and are being stored until June 1. If residents would like to pick up Fort LeTort pickets they are asked to call the Parks and Rec Department.

Carlisle Pickleball Association

The Carlisle Pickleball Association (CAPA) has become a 501C3 organization. Director Crouse and the Board of CAPA along with the Borough Solicitor have worked through an agreement to complete the conversion of LeTort tennis/pickleball court to four dedicated Pickleball courts. The agreement will mostly come before Borough Council at the June Borough Council meeting.

Cumberland Youth Cycling Development

There are no new updates of the pump track. Cumberland Youth Cycling Development are still working with Keystone Purchasing Network (KPN)/Giodian to come up with a new design to lower costs since the bids for the project came in much higher than expected.

Parks and Recreation Professional Day

Carlisle Parks and Recreation Department was asked to be spotlighted this year for Parks and Recreation Professionals day in Pennsylvania. The Carlisle Parks and Recreation department plans to hold the event on Friday, July 21 at the Carlisle Community Pool. Food trucks, inflatables and more is planned for the day of the event. Staff, employees and contracted instructors will receive an invitation to attend.

Shade Tree

The Shade Tree Committee held an Arbor Day planting on Wednesday, April 19 at Lindner Park. The spring street tree planting has been completed with 11 trees planted.

ADJOURNMENT

Following a motion, the meeting adjourned at 7:41pm.

Stevens/Bratton

The next Carlisle Parks and Recreation Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 1, 2023 at 7:00pm at Carlisle Community Pool. Any member that is unable to attend is asked to notify Andrea Crouse.