



Franklin Township
Advisory Recreation Council
Wed., March 10, 2021
Minutes
6:00pm – Virtual

In attendance: Bill Gallagher, John Moon, Keith Stewart, Lewis Hurd, Nancy Sayre, Peter Melillo, John Brewer, Michelle Petersen, Venk Pundi

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| 1) Call To Order | 6:10 pm |
| 2) Approval of Minutes* | Chair |
| 3) Public Comments* | Chair |
| 4) Program Report | Beau Byrtus |

Program Updates – Beau reported on the various programs being offered in the spring that will include in person, outdoor, socially distant programs as well as virtual programs. He reported that the department will also be offering a hybrid model for Zumba as a trial for potential other programs in the future. Beau reported that he is working of the methodology for tracking park usage and is hoping to engage the ARC when the data collection begins.

Spring program offerings and statistics – Beau provided copies of the Recreation Spring Course offerings. He reported that hard copies can be found in several locations around the Township.

Summer program proposal – Beau reported that the Recreation Department was planning on hosting in person, outdoor, socially distanced summer camp this year at several locations throughout the Township. The ARC discussed the fee structure and it was determined that the Township should lower the cost of the program by half or more to make it more affordable to parents who may be dealing with COVID loss of income. Beau acknowledged this need in the community and stated that he would make the necessary adjustments prior to releasing the information to the public.

Youth Center update – Beau reported that work continues on the Youth Center and moving forward nicely. He reported that the Rec team is finalizing service providers as well as developing the outreach strategy for the spring and summer with hopes to have realization of the building in the fall of 2021.

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| 5) Old Business | No old business |
| 6) New Business | Chair |
| 7) Adjournment | Chair |

**Next Recreation Advisory Council Meeting
April 14, 2021 at 6:00 pm**

* Requires Approval