Environment and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday, December 5, 2024 6:00 PM

Present: Committee Members Liz Wyckoff (Chairperson), Joe Frederick, and Dennis Livrone.

Recreation and Special Event Coordinator Caitlin Hernandez was also in attendance.

The Minutes from October 1, 2024, were approved as submitted.

The **Recycling Grant Resolution** was shared with the committee members. Since the previous resolution had expired, it was time to renew it. A motion was made and seconded to renew the Recycling Grant Resolution.

Liz shared the **Pump Track** update. Liz spoke about funding and noted how fundraising will be necessary for this to work with the budget. Liz showed renderings provided by the contractor for similar-sized tracks that he was working on. Joe asked what would happen if the funds were unable to be raised. It will be unsafe and unusable at some point, so there is no option not to raise enough funds if we want the track to remain.

Liz explained the **Route Around Doylestown** concept. The committee members were shown the options for various routes, and safety and other concerns were discussed.

Liz shared a brief update on the **Bike Advisory Committee**. No one had questions about the bike-friendly status or what needs to be addressed.

Liz gave information on the **Holiday Lights Ride**, which will take place next week. We will be leaving from Borough Hall. If needed, there is an inclement weather date.

Caitlin explained the request from the DAA for **Temporary Fencing.** It will be advertising on the fences and will only be on them for approximately 6 months. A motion was made and seconded for approval.

Caitlin shared the **Allora Craft Workshop Proposal.** The Park and Rec board had some concerns about the appearance of the Borough partnering with one business. The question that came up was, do we want to open Chambers up for the public to rent for a fee, or do we want an exclusive partnership with one business owner responsible for running a Borough-sponsored program? We have a history of working with "for-profit" businesses (i.e., Soccer Shots), so this is not unprecedented. There needs to be an emphasis on the "partnership" portion of the agreement. Caitlin will take this feedback to the Park and Rec Board for another vote.

Caitlin gave the **Recreation Director's Report**. Aside from the trees added to the Broad Commons, there are a few updates to share. Wood Street Park had drainage installed in preparation for the Bocce courts. Caitlin gave numbers on the various activities, including the Scenic Stroll and Soccer Shots program.

Old/New Business: Under **Old Business**, Dennis brought up the DCAP and questioned its status. The Comp Plan and the DCAP should be ready to be reviewed in January. Under **New Business**, Caitlin shared a proposal from Joe Montone to host a concert series in Broad Commons. Caitlin shared the financials involved with hosting a series like this. The Committee made a motion to move this concept onto the Council for a formal vote to approve the Concert Series at Broad Commons.

There being no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.