

Environment and Recreation Committee
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 7, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.

Present: Councilpersons Wendy Margolis, Joe Frederick, and Borough Manager John Davis

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Ms. Margolis.

The **Minutes** from March 3, 2022 were approved.

Mr. Davis gave a **Broad Commons Playground** update. The Committee agreed that the playground is not too crowded with the proposed equipment. The DCNR grant will not be decided until later this year. We will keep working on this project and believe we are on the right track. Mr. Davis mentioned the cost saving benefit of the Borough providing all the labor for the project.

Mr. Davis also gave an update on the **Broad Commons Park**. Sixty eight large trees have been planted. Plaza benches and flagpoles are complete. The plaza water feature will be operational this month. All benches and trash cans have been installed. Water fountains will be installed in the next two weeks. Plaques are being installed on all the benches. All donors have been invited to the opening and will be recognized at the ceremony. The arboretum path is still in progress, approximately three quarters complete.

Ms. Margolis provided a **Single-Use Plastics Update**. An ordinance and implementation plan is being prepared by the EAC and should be available soon.

Old/New Business: No old business to address.

New Arts & Crafts and Outdoor Games directors have been hired. Sign-ups have been a little slower than in previous years. Once we open to residents from outside the borough, there will be more children signing up.

Phil and Dave are working on a remedy for the trash situation at Burpee. Dave is concerned about bees and trying to keep them away from the play areas. Several new play items will be installed at Burpee later this year.

Pool is preparing to open. There will be a new manager this year and they are working through that transition. Construction of the changing room is complete. The structural issues under the diving tank are being addressed. Temporary shoring will be placed for the season and permanent repairs will begin when the pool closes.

Adjourned: at 6:31 p.m.