

**TOWNSHIP OF LOWER
RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
BOARD MINUTES**

Date: 9/17/24

**Township of Lower Recreation Center, Superintendent's Conference
Room**

Time: 7 p.m.

Roll Call

1. Greg Douglass
2. Jessica Donohue
3. JoAnn McLaughlin
4. Jeff Wunder
5. Lonnie Bedell
6. Neil Young
7. Bruce Fournier
8. Erik Collins

Absent:

1. Mitch Plenn
2. Robert Bonner

Approval of Previous Month's Meeting

Motion: Jeff Wunder

Second: Lonnie Bedell

New Business- Key Points or Comments

1. Discussed possible solutions to the schedule changes to the David Douglass Memorial school's physical education classes and the conflict they were having with the rec department's indoor pickleball sessions
 - a. Split the court, but the group believes that is a safety concern

- b. Change the pickleball day/time and possibly add a 2nd date to benefit both organizations (this was the choice the rec advisory board favored)
2. Discussed frustration with the pace of the projects being discussed at our meetings and made a plan to complete the Master Plan and start presenting our ideas to the township manager, mayor and city council
3. Members of the Rec Advisory Board inquired as to why Rec Desk was not implemented before fall registration. The advisory board was informed that the Township Purchasing Office is awaiting a 3rd quote to see pricing 3-5 years out from the time of purchase.
4. Discussed the importance of making forms available online for families to have access to see programs, fees and applications for the Lower Township Children's Fund which offers financial assistance in covering program fees as well as equipment to children in need. At this point in time, coaches tell their players this is available after they have already signed up. The rec advisory board believes more children would register for the programs if they knew financial aid was available prior to joining a team.

Old Business- Key Points or Comments

1. N/A

Public Comment- Key Points or Comments

1. N/A

Superintendent's Report- Received and Reviewed

Remarks for the Good of the Order

Motion to Adjourn

Lonnie Bedell

Jeff Wunder

Next meeting tentative:

Tuesday, October 15, 2024