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UPPER MOUNT BETHEL TOWNSHIP PARKS/RECREATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2025 – 7:00 PM

PART I

Stavros Barbounis called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present were, Stavros Barbounis, Orion Barbounis, Jenn Hughes, Karyn Pinter, Sharon Cerny, Recording Secretary Cindy Beck, and Manager Nick Graziano.

Jen Giera and Mallory Casciole were present to discuss Field Hockey. Krista Schaarschmidt, Lana Quinn, and Jamie Goffredo were present to discuss softball.

PART II (Parks/Recreation Board Administration)

- 1. Approval of the Agenda- **MOTION** by Karyn to approve the agenda, seconded by Orion. Vote: 5-0.
- 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes-May 8, 2025. **MOTION** by Orion to table the May 8, 2025, meeting minutes, seconded by Karyn. Vote: 5-0.

PART III (Business)

Lindsey Manzi, Emergency Management Coodinator, was present to discuss the IAP for the 4th of July event. Chairman Barbounis moved the 4th of July discussion up to be discussed first. Lindsey had some questions, estimated attendance, operation period, participating agencies, landing zone for helicopter, traffic plan, and staging area for vendors/celebrations fireworks.

4th of July Fireworks Event-July 5th, Stavros gave an update: There are 20 vendors registered, Parks/Rec will be selling slushies, popcorn, cotton candy, nachos/cheese, hotdogs, pretzels, and beverages. Estimated cost for all supplies-\$3,250. **MOTION** by Karyn to approve the purchase of all supplies for \$3,250, seconded by Sharon. Vote: 5-0.

1. Governance

a. Sports Program Oversight-Stavros stated that he would like to develop/formalize run books for all sports programs, there is a need to apply more oversight.

b. Event Registrations-Stavros stated that moving forward, rec desk will be used to capture everything, vendor registrations, etc.

2. Sports & Recreation

- a. UMBT Softball Update- Krista stated that they will be having their end of year celebration on Wednesday, June 18th, at the Park. They do have a list of items they need to purchase, food, coach gifts. There was a discussion on the coach gifts. Karyn stated that she likes to support local businesses, so maybe they can consider gift cards to a local venue. Four teams are going to the Metzger Tournament, one of the majors' team went undefeated, two majors' made playoffs. There was a discussion on the seniors disbandment due to ongoing issues with coach/assistant coach/player behavior, whereas, the UMBT Softball Board has to made the decision to discontinue the Seniors season effective immediately. Refunds were offered. ELV was notified. The Parks/Rec Board suppports their decision. Registration forms and Code of Conduct will be updated. Stavros stated that the dugout banners are not ready yet.
- b. UMBT Field Hockey-Mallory gave an update on Field Hockey. The current balance is \$13,744.64. They are seeking approval of an additional dozen of field hockey balls, 10 mouthguards, and an additional 10 mouthguard cases. They have a new vendor for uniforms, Corporate Images. Seeking approval for \$4,900. MOTION by Karyn to approve the invoice of \$4,900, (does not include the socks)seconded by Jenn. Vote: 5-0.
- c. UMBT Basketball-no update. Karyn asked, in regards to sponsorships, can the sponsors name be on the back of practice in-house shirts. Karyn also asked about Facebook Pages, can we have a public page for sports programs. Stavros stated that can be done.
- d. UMBT Volleyball-Karyn stated Joann sent her expense report, end of season expense was \$385.54 (minus \$.90), \$384.64.

3. Park Development

- a. Softball Fields Update-Cindy stated that she is working on putting out the bid for infield mix.
- b. Dugout Banners Update-Stavros stated that the board will reach out one more time to the businesses, giving them a week, after that, they will be going out to the public. A new flyer will be created, with QR code, which will take them right to Rec desk.
- c. Equipment Purchases-Stavros stated all equipment requested at the last meeting was approved by the BOS and purchased. Still waiting for the logo for the banner.

4. Community Engagement

- a. Community Survey-Stavros stated that the BOS has approved the use of Survey Monkey but has not produced any questions. Stavros would like each board member to think of 10 questions.
- b. Movie Night in the Park-There was a discussion on a tentative date, August 16th, for movie night and first responders' picnic, times to be

- determined. **MOTION** by Sharon to set the date for the first responder picnic and movie night for August 16th, seconded by Jenn. Vote: 5-0.
- c. First Responders Picnic-Tentative date August 16th.
- d. July 4th Fireworks-Discussed at the beginning of the meeting.
- e. Vendor @ Slate Belt PRIDE Festival—July 12, 2025-Stavros stated that Parks/Rec will be participating as a vendor, selling, hotdogs, slushies, popcorn, cotton candy, and all proceeds go towards park development.
- f. Food Truck Festival & Craft Show-October 4, 2025, 11-5, Parks/Rec will be selling everything, still looking for more crafters and food vendors.
- g. Veterans' Day Fireworks-November 8, 2025. Stavros has confirmed funding has been secured by the Post Foundation.
- 5. Recreation Fund, Budget & Finances
 - a. Revenue/Expenses Reporting-Karyn stated the current balances of the sports programs are as follows: Softball- \$7,499.49, Field Hockey-\$13,744.61, Basketball-\$5,195.05, Volleyball-\$1,753.79.

PART IV (Public Comment)

Ron Angle commented on how well the Parks/Rec handles their meetings. Ron stated that some will not give up on finding out what happened to the Park Foundation monies.

Tyler Brescanine, Slate Belt Soccer, just confirming the use of the park for fall soccer.

There was a discussion on the shred event. This should be marketed as a fundraising event for Parks/Rec. August 16th, 9am-12pm.

The Board also discussed having another electronics recycling event. Possible date September 6th, 10am-3pm.

PART V (Adjournment)

MOTION by Orion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm, seconded by Jenn. Vote: 5-0.