### **Westtown Township**

# Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Oakbourne Mansion, 1014 S. Concord Road, Westtown Tuesday, February 20, 2024

In attendance: Commissioners – Ken Leidheiser, Steve Pirone, Laura Ruane Dougherty, Carrie Stare, and Isaac Thomas; Parks Coordinator Pam Coleman.

## I. Call to Order

Carrie called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. Pam introduced the new commissioner, Steve Pirone, who was appointed by the Board of Supervisors at their February 5, 2024 meeting. The commissioners shared a little about their backgrounds.

#### II. Approval of Minutes

Both the December 19, 2023 and the January 16, 2024 meetings were cancelled due to lack of a quorum. Ken made a motion to approve the November 14, 2023 minutes. Laura seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved, with Steve abstaining.

#### **III.** Old Business

### A. Winter Lights Recap

There were fewer entries than last year, but there was intense competition on Pennsbury Drive! Final results of the public voting were:

1st Place – The Healy Family - 1541 Pennsbury Drive 2nd Place – The Rosato Family - 1505 Pennsbury Drive 3rd Place – The Reagoso Family - 1190 Fielding Drive Honorable Mention – The Loraw Family - 925 Tyson Drive

The winners received yard signs. Due to budget constraints, we were unable to award gift cards this year.

#### IV. New Business

#### A. Election of Chair

Ken made a motion to appoint Carrie as Chair. Isaac seconded. Carrie accepted the nomination, and the motion carried 5-0.

#### **B.** Board of Supervisors Meeting Attendance

Pam stated that the Board of Supervisors meets annually with each commission to discuss goals for the coming year. The BOS would like to meet with P&R at their workshop meeting on Monday, April 1. All except Laura said they could attend.

#### C. 2024 Slate of Events

#### i. Egg Hike – Saturday, March 23

Steve offered to contact Cory at Agway to see if he will donate seed packets again this year, but said he cannot attend. All other commissioners committed to work

the event. Steve and Pam will reach out to their contacts at Rustin High School for volunteers. Pam will order supplies for the eggs and a new bunny costume. The group will fill eggs during their March meeting or sooner. Isaac will ask his mother if she will be the Easter Bunny. Registration will be limited Township residents.

#### ii. Summer Concert(s)

The group slated Wednesday, June 12 (rain date June 13) for the Summer Kick-Off Concert. Pam will reach out to potential bands. The group agreed to explore some new sounds. A fall concert date will be discussed at a future meeting.

#### iii. Photo Contest

The group agreed to have another photo contest this summer, following the same format as last year.

# iv. Movie Night(s)

Carrie and Steve both said they can cover movie nights. The group will think about possible movies and slate dates at a future meeting.

#### v. Westtown Day – Sunday, October 6

Pam requested that everyone mark the date on their calendar.

#### vi. Winter Lights Contest

All agreed that we should hold the contest again this year. Further planning will occur at a later date.

#### vii. Other Ideas

The group tossed around some new ideas including a basketball tournament or perhaps a having a theater group put on a show in the park.

#### V. Public Comment

There was none.

#### VI. Adjournment

After working on the holiday decorating, the meeting adjourned at 8:42 PM. (IT/CS)