

**MEETING MINUTES
HARRISBURG TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 15, 2021
8:00 AM HARRISBURG PARK OFFICE**



- CALL TO ORDER:** President Richard Rumsey called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m
- ROLL CALL:** The following members of the Board of Commissioners were physically present: President Richard Rumsey and Secretary/Treasurer Mike Williams.
- Park Staff Present: Executive Director Blake Emery, Administrative Assistant Jill Marvel and Maintenance Director TA Sullivan.
- Vice President Doug Emery was present via teleconference call.
- Visitors Present: Ron Emery, Greg McCulloch (SYSA), Crystal Guard (SYSA), Chloe Guard
- TELECONFERENCE:** Richard Rumsey made the motion to approve allowing board attendance via teleconference for Doug Emery and that all decisions made via teleconference be valid and seconded by Mike Williams. All in favor 2-0 per voice vote.
- PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Blake Emery announced that the Harrisburg Township Park District (HTPD) was accepting public comment by email or written submission up to the start of the meeting at 8:00 AM on October 8, 2021. There were no written comments received and there was no one from the public present on the teleconference call.
- Blake Emery asked the members of the public present at the meeting if they had any comments.
- Greg McCulloch requested to speak. He handed out a prewritten statement to Park Board. He proceeded to read the statement. It identified two major issues: 1) Kids being able to participate in both flag football and soccer and 2) Bill Rice Facility Shared use for both sports. Blake Emery notified Greg McCulloch this was an agenda item and any responses would be during that agenda item.
- Ron Emery requested to speak. He mentioned as a former Park Board Member, former HYA Board Member, and former Park Executive Director he has much knowledge of the history of the soccer facility property and the intent of the past to utilize it to its full capability. He said he has seen that vision taking shape over the last several years with the improvements being made to the Bill Rice facility. Now, as a member of the public, he still would like the facility to be fully utilized by as many programs as possible. Blake Emery notified Ron Emery this was an agenda item and any responses would be during that agenda item.
- CONSENT AGENDA:** Mike Williams made the motion to accept the October 8, 2021 special meeting minutes and seconded by Richard Rumsey. All in favor 3-0 per voice vote.
- CLOSED SESSION:** There was no motion to enter into Closed Session.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

HYA/SYSA

Blake Emery presented to the Board the current situation between HYA and SYSA regarding game schedule conflicts and flag football field location. During the discussion, at 8:37 a.m., Doug Emery had to leave the meeting. Mike Williams made the comment that a master schedule for Fall Sports (HYA Flag Football and SYSA Soccer) games and practices is something that should be done and coordinated with the Park District. Richard Rumsey agreed that a master schedule is a good idea. Richard Rumsey asked SYSA and HYA to develop a committee to work these issues out regarding field locations and game times. He agreed the primary concern is allowing for a game schedule that does not conflict for the two programs. Richard Rumsey made a motion that HYA and SYSA form a committee of 2 to 3 members each to meet to resolve the conflicts and seconded by Mike Williams. Motion passed 2-0 as Doug Emery had left the meeting at this point. Blake Emery will reach out to SYSA and HYA and inform them of this decision and try to get the new committee to meet by mid-November. Blake Emery will present back any updates at the November 19 Park Board Meeting.

Affiliate Association

Blake Emery presented to the Board the issue regarding the complaints about SYSA and their status as an Affiliated Association of Harrisburg Township Park District. To respond to this issue, an Affiliate Association Agreement document has been developed and will be discussed/approved in New Business section of the Agenda.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 2021-1015

Blake Emery presented to the Board Resolution 2021-1008 Resolution Establishing Affiliate Association Agreement. The Resolution identifies what is expected of an Affiliate Association and is required to be signed by all Boards (HTPD, SYSA, and HYA). Mike Williams made the motion to approve Resolution 2021-1015 Resolution Establishing Affiliate Association Agreement. There was no second of the motion and the motion died. Richard Rumsey said he had read the Resolution and did not have any issues with it but felt we should wait until the other issues are resolved before moving forward with an Affiliate Association Agreement. Blake Emery will give SYSA and HYA a "draft" version of the Resolution. This topic will be included as an Agenda item at the November 19 Park Board Meeting.

Ordinance 1015-2021

Blake Emery presented to the Board Ordinance 1015-2021 Ordinance Establishing Regulations for Fishing. Due to persons casting nets to regularly fish in the lagoon it was decided to develop fishing rules. The Conservation Police said this was valid to do so. Richard Rumsey asked for clarification regarding wording of a "dip net". Richard Rumsey made the motion to approve Ordinance 1015-2021 Ordinance Establishing Regulations for Fishing and seconded by Mike Williams. Motion passed 2-0 as Doug Emery had left the meeting at this point. The Ordinance was signed and will be placed on the website.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

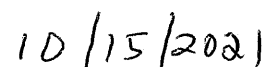
Blake Emery announced that the next regular board meeting is scheduled to be November 19, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. Mike Williams asked if Bond Projects would be discussed at the next meeting. Blake Emery responded yes.

ADJOURNMENT

Richard Rumsey moved to adjourn, seconded by Mike Williams. All in favor 2-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:58 a.m.



Michael Williams, Secretary / Treasurer



Date Signed