

Mt. Lebanon Sports Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

November 5, 2020 - 8 p.m.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chad Wertz called the meeting to order and David Donnellan called the roll. The meeting was attended by board members Dave Franklin, Don Gavett, Walt Henry, Stacie Hill, Tom Langston, Megan O'Brakta, Shelly Saba, Ian Smith and Chad Wertz. The meeting was also attended by Athletic Director, John Grogan and Recreation Director, David Donnellan.

Tom Donati, and Amanda Rost were absent.

Lynn Hagan joined the meeting after it began.

2. Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments

3. Consideration of the October 8, 2020 Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved as submitted.

4. 2021 Meeting Schedule

The meeting schedule for 2021 was agreed to be at 8 p.m. on the following dates: January 7, February 4, March 4, April 1, September 9, October 7 and November 4.

[Note: The September 9 meeting was changed to September 2 after the fact due to room availability.]

5. Pickleball Options

David Donnellan shared the options for pickleball that were presented to the Commission. He said three options were still under consideration: permanent courts at Meadowcroft Park with either color coated courts or white lines on the asphalt, converting two clay courts and/or adding striping to existing tennis or basketball courts.

He said the clay court conversion to pickleball would include temporary fencing/netting and that revenues would cover the cost of the courts in the first season. He said it was not his highest recommendation due to the atypical surface, lower ball bounce and shorter rallies. He said this option could be easily

converted back to tennis if pickleball was unsuccessful. He also noted that resident pickleball players who tried the surface enjoyed playing, but would prefer playing on dedicated pickleball courts, on a hard surface without fees for use.

Mr. Donnellan stated that adding striping to existing tennis and basketball courts would allow for both pickleball and tennis, the cost of installation was \$300 per court, and the option could be implemented in addition to other options.

It was noted that a tennis net is a few inches higher than a regulation pickleball net, and that various configurations could be considered.

Mr. Donnellan said the Commission had asked him to make a recommendation for pickleball options. He said he had also requested that the Parks Advisory Board be asked if they had concerns regarding adding pickleball lines to existing tennis and basketball courts.

Walt Henry stated that he did not think the tennis community would be in favor of converting courts at the tennis center.

6. Futsal Proposal Update

Mr. Donnellan reported that the contractor for the Futsal project agreed to hold the prices until early 2021, and that the recommendation was shared with the Commission.

7. Prioritization of Sports Related Improvement Projects

Mr. Donnellan said he shared the prioritization list with the Commission and the Commission asked that the Sports Advisory Board rank all projects in a single list instead of breaking the list down into large and small projects.

Mr. Donnellan shared that the softball association is not in favor of maintaining the infield at Brafferton, so that project could be removed. Tom Langston suggested the project be changed to seeding the infield and removing the backstop.

Dave Franklin suggested not investing a lot of money into Brafferton, just basic seeding of the infield. It was agreed that Mr. Donnellan would ask Public Works if the job could be done in house.

Lynn Hagan joined the meeting.

The list was updated as follows:

Sports Related Projects Worksheet- November 5, 2020					
Rank	Project	Estimated Cost	Private Contribution	Net Municipal Cost	Comments
1	Pickleball Court Project	\$ 48,280.00	\$ -	\$ 48,280.00	Convert existing tennis courts into 6 pickleball courts in Meadowcroft Park. 2021 cost. Pavement and white stripes.
2	Platform Tennis Hut Expansion	\$ 190,000.00	\$ 160,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	Expand the hut and include restroom(s), second floor and deck. 2021 cost.
3	Futsal/Multi-purpose Court Resurfacing	\$ 33,490.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 18,490.00	Resurface Brafferton basketball courts with a sports tile product, which would serve various sports. Contractor extending pricing through February 15, 2021.
4	Golf Course Cart Path Improvements- Phase 2	\$ 91,900.00	\$ -	\$ 91,900.00	Adjusted for 2021 prices.
5	Ice Rink Changing Rooms	\$ 30,000.00			Estimate subject to engineer's review. Changing rooms only within existing space in the lobby.
6	Completion of Tennis Court Reconstruction of Courts 3-6	\$ 444,900.00	\$ 200,205.00	\$ 244,695.00	Replace tennis courts 3-6 including subsurface irrigation with contributions from Indoor Tennis.
7	Tennis Courts 7 and 8 Lighting Replacement	\$ 106,720.00	\$ -	\$ 106,720.00	Replace lights on existing poles with LED fixtures. 2021 cost.
8	Light Seymour Field	\$ 586,500.00	\$ -	\$ 586,500.00	Cost to light Seymour Field with metal halide Musco lighting system. 8 new poles (2 shared). 2023 cost.
9	Golf Course Pavilion	\$ 81,000.00	\$ -	\$ 81,000.00	Adjusted to 2022 prices.
10	Golf Course Restroom	\$ 52,950.00	\$ -	\$ 52,950.00	Prefabricated toilet facility. No utilities. 2021 prices.
11	Front Deck Mower	\$ 27,000.00		\$ 27,000.00	2021 cost.
12	Recreation Center Concrete Replacement	\$ 996,480.00	\$ -	\$ 996,480.00	Replace all concrete surrounding the recreation center. Includes an ADA compliant walkway to the second floor, and new benches in plaza. 2021 cost.
13	Rec Center Roof Replacement	\$ 1,309,680.00	\$ -	\$ 1,309,680.00	2021 cost.
14	Brafferton Field Improvements			\$ -	Remove backstop. Seed infield. Price TBD.

8. Sports Organizations Communication and Data Meeting

Mr. Langston reported that there was a meeting, and another meeting was scheduled. They are still compiling the data and once it is complete, they will share it with all field user groups.

9. New Business

Mr. Wertz thanked John Grogan for attending. There was no further new business.

10. Announcements

There were no announcements.

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned. 8:54 p.m.