## Edgewater Park Establishes *Parks and Community Engagement Committee*

At its regular meeting on 6/2/21, Edgewater Park Township Committee adopted Ordinance #2021-11, establishing the *Parks and Community Engagement Committee*. After reviewing all applications to serve on this new committee, the Mayor – with consent of Township Committee – will appoint the five PCEC members, all of whom must be residents of the Township of Edgewater Park. Volunteers are always welcome.

The PCEC will consist of five members. Two members serve a one-year term, and three members serve a two-year term. Three PCEC members shall serve as Chairperson, Co-Chairperson, and Recording Secretary. Additional attendees include a PCEC Coordinator plus a Police Liaison, Township Committee Member Liaison, and Public Works Liaison.



(Administrator Tom Pullion & Inspector Donna Dragos work the concession stand at Weimann Field for the Friday Night Movies event.)

The Parks and Community
Engagement Committee will help the
Township provide community-based
events and activities at the parks,
recreational facilities, athletic fields,
and open natural spaces in the
township, to promote the physical and

social well-being of residents. To that end, the PCEC will plan, organize, coordinate and report on all community-based events and help provide recreational programming and activities, as well as work for the beautification of the township parks and promote the above activities for participation by township residents.

The Parks and Community Engagement Committee has no official authority to create, pass or enforce any of the park rules or activities without express consent of Township Committee.



The PCEC will work with the PCEC Coordinator and Liaisons to coordinate and plan community events and voluntary community projects in the Township. It will recommend projects involving recreation, environmental, health and wellness, sports schedules, and community

engagement as well as assist in the management and overall success of projects. The PCEC will also review current parks and recreation programs and facilities to determine additional needs and submit recommendations to the Township Committee, including input and ideas for long-



range plans and goals to use these township resources for the maximum benefit of all.

All applicants should have an interest in developing and maintaining Township parks and recreational facilities and in working with the Township Committee, other members of the Parks and Community Engagement Committee, and the general public to plan for future improvement in parks, recreational facilities, programs and a wide variety of related projects. Formal education in the field is not necessary, but some demonstrated experience or involvement in parks and recreation projects, or planning is preferred. All interested residents must submit an application, available on the Edgewater Park website: under Departments, go to the Municipal Clerk web page, click Forms, and then open the Citizen Leadership Application.

The Committee is being established to move forward officially in 2022; however, we are recruiting the team early to get a jump start on 2022. Applications should be submitted to the Edgewater Park Township Administrator or Township Clerk at the Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted, Kevin Johnson, Township Committee Member



