

The September 15, 2021 Board of Recreation meeting was called to order by President Mickey Pascucci at 7:31pm

Present

President M. Pascucci

D. Alvino

N. Ricca

T. Mele

M. Monteyne

D. Andriani

Absent

Vice President O. Dittamo

G. DiPasquale

D. Palazzo

Debbie Barone

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Donna Alvino made the motion to accept the previous minutes and Nancy Ricca second the motion.

Council Liaison

Debbie Andriani reported that the Republican Picnic was a beautiful day and successful. Totowa Republican Club is sponsoring a Columbus Day event Saturday, October 9th at the Wells Fargo parking lot - food truck, music, Italian Club from WP- it will be an Italian theme event

Mayor and Council attended the opening day of soccer- high attendance. Yolanda and Rick Felix – new chair of soccer. Outstanding job with DJ.

This Friday night Mayor and Council are invited to the Pep Rally at the new turf....New Field, New traditions. Very successful camp season...positive feedback from campers.

Tricia Monteyne did an excellent job running.

Pool-Most members we had for pool in years- a great successful season.

Summer concert season...great overall until the storm came.

Mayor and Council had a beautiful 911 ceremony well represented by all the first responders and young people attended so we never forget.

Library is also having their borough wide yard sale on September 5th and the Calendar raffle is presently going on. Senator Corrado doing a food drive on September 25th during the yard sale.

The Care Cabinet at the library came at the right time for the flood victims.

Citizens to be Heard

Jen Britting and Kristin Karam-Kristin stated her husband had a questiondo we spray for mosquito on our fields? Mark Monteyne answered...we already have mosquito spraying once a week. They go to all fields and pool. Jen Britting stated that Rick and Yolanda wanted to say thank you to BOR for the support of the soccer program.

Correspondence

Mark Monteyne is working with DPW for bleachers for around the PAL football field to put in more seating. They are moving the new tables from the pool to PAL for football season. Requests for Broadway shows like we did the Mets and Yankees game.

Everyone is looking for fields.

Financial

Balance \$12,406.55 as of today.

Personnel

No report

Pool

This past summer pool season was a success overall. Great staff. Kudos to Chase Shaeffer. All the staff did a great job. Movie nights were outstanding. Leftovers from the snack shack went to the Care cabinet and water bottles to the lower borough flood victims.

Town applied for FEMA money to help with the cleanup for the pool.

Field and Grounds

Mayor and Council gifted light towers for at night for football/soccer.

Fields look great.

Got an adjusted price for the Geese chasers since the field is now turf...do not need it there.

Things to think about: We need to get the other baseball fields up to par now that the other fields are turf and looking good. Veterans field is constantly wet...needs an update...maybe we can get more clay and level it out.

Looking for a groomer in partnership with the DPW for upkeep of the turf field.

Permits

No new permits have been given out since the last time. All fall sports have their permits.

Old Business

Yankee game was a big success.

New Business

Mets game this Saturday. Have a small credit for next year. Half the tickets were sold...up to 25. Taking a yellow bus possibly.

Turkey Trot on November 21st. Flyers are going out. Echo Glenn letter going out to inform residents. Still will have the option to go virtual or can run day of. Network it around, need sponsorships.

Trunk or Treat- Friday October 29th. 7-8pm. The Drug Alliance is taking care of DJ, bags, etc. We need to space out again. No middle group. Need more lighting...we will use the towers.

Families generously donated to the Give or Receive...bats, sneakers, and spikes.

PAL

Report from Tom Mele- Wrestling Event, Nov 19th. Tickets go on sale Monday. Tito Santana is the commissioner.

Opening day for Soccer and Football was discussed.

Report from the Director

"Don't count the days, make the days count!"

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Donna Alvino and Nancy Ricca second the motion at 8:46pm.

The next Board of Recreation's meeting will be held on Thursday, October 14, 2021 at 7:30pm **at the library.**

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Barone, Secretary Board of Recreation