

The May 7, 2020 Zoom Board of Recreation meeting was called to order by President M. Pascucci at 7:00pm.

Present

President M. Pascucci
V. President O. Dittamo
N. Ricca
J. Mancinelli
T. Mele
M. Monteyne
D. Palazzo
D. Andriani

Absent

D. Alvino
G. DiPasquale

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Oliver Dittamo made the motion to accept the previous minutes and Nancy Ricca second the motion.

Council Liaison

Debbie Andriani reported that Mayor and Council made the decision with so many unknowns as to date, the town pool will not be open this year. There are no known regulations yet such as to start planning and it might not be allowed to open. Providing thermometers, masks, etc. and getting the pool ready beginning now would be a high cost with the possibility it would not be allowed to open. As for the Summer Camp, they are still not sure and might consider opening it a month later than usual if permitted to by the Governor. It could still be a 6-week camp but would will have to find out what all the regulations would be and what kind of training the staff would have to go through. John Mancinelli stated he felt it would be difficult to have camp and keep the children social distanced. He had thought the counselors could work to help at the pool if we opened and he thought pool members could just pay as they went. He said he would call the mayor to discuss.

Debbie Andriani stated the Mayor did meet with other mayors from other towns to inquire what they were planning to do. Mark Monteyne stated that in speaking to other Recreation Directors, they are all in limbo waiting for direction from the Governor.

Debbie stated that the mayor does not want to cancel the concerts and hopes we can go as scheduled. To do social distancing, maybe we can move them to a larger location. Mayor and Council cancelled Totowa Day but would still like to do the fireworks. Would like to do them in a location where Echo Glenn would see them, possibly do them twice for both sides of town. Mark suggested Kennedy Field, but Mickey stated the houses are too close to the field. Debbie Barone suggested doing them at the Developmental Center property that is cleared.

Debbie Andriani stated people are asking for the birthday brigade to do a drive by for the graduates. We would need all the addresses and there are 109 graduates, that would be a lot. Nancy Ricca suggested maybe leaving a rock at

the graduate's house that states "Totowa Rocks."

Citizens to be Heard

None

Correspondence

None

Financial

No report

Personnel

No report

Pool

Closed

Field and Grounds

No report-no sports on them

Fields are open but playgrounds are closed

Permits

No sports going on-permits invalid

Old Business

Mickey Pascucci thanked Mark for doing an awesome job with the birthday brigade. Mark stated it was a team effort with the Fire Dept. and the Police Dept. and that gratitude is priceless. The Povolo family has tagged on with their decorated car. As to date, there have been 182 signed up and 125 done. Lou & Peter D'Angelo donated the popcorn from International Popcorn.

New Business

Summer Concerts are scheduled to begin on Wednesday, June 24, 2020.

PAL

No report

Report from the Directors

John Mancinelli stated that he will not be retiring from the board right now as planned and plans to remain on for the upcoming months.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Nancy Ricca and seconded by Dan Palazzo at 7:47pm.

The next Board of Recreation meeting's date will be held as a Zoom meeting on Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Barone

Secretary, Board of Recreation