

The May 11, 2017 Board of Recreation meeting was called to order by President Kevin Barnes at 7:30pm.

Present

President K. Barnes
V. President O. Dittamo
D. Palazzo
D. Alvino
T. Mele
N. Ricca
D. Andriani
J. Mancinelli

Absent

D. Barone
M. Pascucci

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

A change was made to last month's minutes to reflect Dan Palazzo and Tom Mele were absent .

Oliver Dittamo made a motion and Nancy Ricca seconded it.

Council Liaison

Debbie Andriani stated there is a new parade route this year. Everyone received through the mail the new parade route and information about the summer concerts. There was concern with kids coming off the float, we don't want them stopping in front of the American Legion. They will disembark safely at the end of the route.

We hired DJ Mike Murphy for the Totowa's Got Talent Showcase to run the showcase. We need to say space is limited. Mike was happy to be involved. A lot of positive feedback was received about the nice fliers that were mailed out. Wordage for the signs will be about being courteous at games for the fields. Dan has the email from Anthony.

Sprinklers are up and running.

Tuesday night had a moment of silence for Jack Pohlman.

Correspondence

John got 7 or 8 letters from those interested in becoming camp counselors. Some were illegible.

Financial

The balance in the account is \$14,882.31

Citizens to be Heard

There will be a three-minute allowance, threshold for any citizens wishing to speak at the board meetings.

Joe, PAL, requested a permit for football for July to fit in July practice. The league passed a new rule that they have to have practice every other day, therefore they can't have back to back so they are requesting Mondays,

Wednesday, and Fridays.

Tracy Borgese requested a permit for field time for women's softball July 10- August 31.

PAL Soccer request a permit for July 5- November 26th .

Mickey will handle the permits.

The entire board needs to vote for all field usage going forward. Field use needs to be equitable for all leagues involved.

Personnel

John Mancinelli is accepting applications, drop off at clerk's office or 93 Lincoln Ave. If interested, tell them to send in a letter of interest to become a counselor for camp.

Fields and Grounds

Tom Mele submitted report-Floyd-swing set needs repair.

Bogert- Major work going on, which may deter others from playing there.

Kennedy- Soccer net is back up. They just move back and forth when they need it.

All tree limbs have been cleaned up at all parks. Oliver and the board acknowledged the great job that we think the DPW is doing ...doing a really good job keeping fields well kept.

Debbie reported that a resident did send the Mayor a letter stating that she felt that the brush and trees that were cleared at the PAL created an eye sore, stating that it looks like a devastated area. The resident also wrote to the DPW with the same concerns.

John Waryas needs permit for PAL

Permits

See above

Pool

John stated that Jimmy Niland thinks the area that is fenced in when you walk in is a good area for the bocci court . Debbie suggests plastic horseshoes for the horseshoe pit.

Pam came up with a solution for sign ups to help with the crowds-

Different stations:

- express line for people who sent in check and just need new numbers.
- New registrations area
- Renewals area

Will set up balloons and tickets to go to each section/line. In need of a person to be a badge person. Put name in and then it needs to be laminated with pins.

Lisa Nash will be filling in for Pam the second night.

Go to camp registration first to get receipt before going to pool. Pam will send wording needed for signs. Need entrance signs at the door. Table will be set up with extra forms.

Need change for camp and pool

At the pool this year there will be 2 registers, one in kitchen and one at entrance all preprogrammed to keep track of everything. Auditor was happy that we have improved methods.

Ward Ice Cream will be lending us a freezer to use. Food, snacks need to be inventoried to cut down on deliveries. We need to have inventory and they need take inventory constantly.

Benches and tables are painted and clean up and are in the inside of the building at the pool.

Old Business

None

New Business

Yankee game ...needs invoice....financial department has backed us as per William Lawson(Yankee contact)....\$55 a ticket...need to get invoice to move forward.

PBA food truck fest... We hired 40 North Band for them(2-5pm)....Contact Pete Campilango for stage,need tents(Nancy and Dan)

Summer concerts....Color Guard for first night to start summer night with Star Spangled Banner.

Camp-met a few times with Brianna. John wants to book trips but a lot of them need 20-25% deposit. Medieval times want 25 % just to hold date. Municipalities are held accountable for everything. Need PO's

SkyZone, John will also check out new trampoline place by mall, Circus show, farm day, movie day, bowling place-Fair Lawn Bowl 90 minutes to play, SkyZone have to sign a waiver. Still trying to get other shows.

John also inquired about the Mom-Son bowling day.

Debbie suggested to Tom to get a date for Movie night so flyer goes through school before school lets out.

PAINT Nite- Tom changed the date to June 23rd which is a Friday,got PAL and the paint place. May 24th ticket sales Tom will do. 40 people limit-\$25 cost.

We should print out the same form for every sign up...so we are always on the same page. Form should include email/name/phone number.

Programs

See above

PAL

Read text message from Anthony:

On April 20th, we held our board elections, the end result was Julie Alesandrelli for president and George DiPasquale for Sgt. At Arms

This Saturday is our second annual football beefsteak and tricky tray at the PAL. Tickets are \$50 should anyone like to attend.

Field requests for fall are in process and you should have them tonight from Joe and Kevin.(see above)

6/23 is blocked off at the building for your Paint Nite.

There is a safety issue in the back room at the building and they plan to address it prior to moving in all the summer camp items.

We have not seen any bread in the parking lot recently, thank you for your help in getting that resolved.

This will be Rich Ruocco's last year for Baseball.

Report from the Director

See above

Motion to adjourn was made by Oliver Dittamo and Donna Alvino seconded the motion.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on Thursday, June 8, 2017 at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Barone
Secretary, Board of Recreation