

**Board of Recreation Commission  
Special Reorganization Meeting  
January 7, 2020**

A Special Meeting of the Board of Recreation Commissioners was held on Tuesday, January 7, 2020 in the Hanover Township Community Center.

Everyone who attended said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Coiley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Coiley read the following statement: Adequate notice of the meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act by posting written notice of the meeting at the Municipal Building, 1000 Route 10 and posting such notice to the following newspaper: Morris County Daily Record and filing same with Township Clerk.

Present were Commissioners Gabriella Salese, Robert Brueno, Pete Monteverdi, Pete Berkenkamp, Alternate Commissioner C.J. Engelberger, and Chairman Jim Coiley, Tom Quirk, Program Coordinator/Assistant to the Supt. (PC/AS), Supt. Denise Brennan

Absent were Commissioner Giorgio, Alternate Commissioner Tonya Tasso, and Committeeman Mihalko.

**RE-APPOINTMENT OF SUPERINTENDENT:** Commissioner Berkenkamp made a motion to re-appoint Superintendent Denise Brennan. Commissioner Salese seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**RE-ORGANIZATION:** Supt. Brennan noted that Pete Berkenkamp had fulfilled Pat Sages unexpired term and was just reappointed as a Commissioner for a five-year term.

**COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:** Chairman Coiley confirmed from the Township Administrator that alternates are allowed to be on sub-committees. He asked if any of the commissioners wanted to change their current assignments. There were no requests to change assignments. C.J. Engleberger was assigned to Facilities and Equipment, and Tonya Tasso was assigned to Programing.

**YEAR END REPORT:** Supt. Brennan gave her year-end report with a video outlining the highlights of the year in Recreation.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:** Chairman Coiley made a motion to adjourn the Special Meeting at 7:15 p.m., the motion was seconded by Commissioner Salese. All in Favor.

**Board of Recreation Commission  
Regular Meeting  
January 7, 2020**

**RE-OPEN:** The regular meeting of the Board of Recreation Commissioners was held on Tuesday, January 7, 2020 in the Community Center.

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Absent were Alternate Commissioner Tonya Tasso, and Committeeman Mihalko. Commissioner Giorgio joined the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** None

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Supt. Brennan read a letter from Congresswoman Mikie Sherrill thanking Hanover Township for hosting her Town Hall Meeting at the end of November.

Eleventh Hour Rescue sent a thank you note for allowing them to borrow our Santa Claus costume.

Dial A Ride received two thank you letters, one from Mildred Feldstein thanking them for their wonderful services along with a donation in the amount \$25.00. The second thank you letter was from the Lester Tenants Association along with a donation in the amount of \$200.00.

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT:** Due to the absence of Township Committeeman Mihalko there was no Township Committee Report. Denise Brennan was happy to report that Committeeman Mihalko will continue to be our liaison in the coming year.

**ENGINEERING REPORT:**

**Bee Meadow Pool Lifeguard Stand Installation – Phase II:** Installation complete

**Bee Meadow Pool Dual Slide/Rock Wall:** Bid will specify the slide as the base bid with the rock wall as an alternate bid item. Bid packages will be available on January 14, 2020, with bid

opening on February 4, 2020. Project to be awarded on February 13, 2020 with completion specified by the middle of May.

**Basketball Court:** Completion of plans and specifications anticipated this winter with installation next spring.

**Malapardis Park Tennis Court Resurfacing:** Completion of specifications anticipated this winter with installation next spring.

**Bee Meadow Pool Deck Repairs:** Pool facility was surveyed May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Trip hazard, crack repair and expansion joint repair totaled \$35,834. Insufficient funds to proceed with this work this year. Project will be re-evaluated next year.

**Bee Meadow Park Playground Installation:** Playground equipment installation and final grading complete.

**Veteran's Park Sidewalk for Playground and Bleachers :** Complete.

**PROGRAM COORDINATOR'S REPORT:** T. Quirk, PC/AS reported on the following:

**Basketball:** Travel and Recreation Basketball started last night and with no problems to report. K-2 Clinics kicked off last night at Salem Drive School for Kindergarten level. Thursday will be the first evening for the grade 1-2 Clinics.

**Wrestling:** Quirk noted today was a black out date at the high school so they are practicing here at the Community Center.

**Ski Club:** Quirk reported there are 72 registered for the ski club. This past Friday was supposed to be the first trip, however, due to weather conditions it was cancelled and will be made up at the end of the season on February 7<sup>th</sup>.

**GIRLS LAX:** Registrations are disappointingly low. Grades 3-4 only has 1 registration. Grade 5-6 has 0 registrations. Quirk said that is very unusual. East Hanover is having their in person registration on February 1<sup>st</sup> so perhaps there will be additional registrations. Grades 7-8 level has 11 registrations and Quirk is aware of other registrations that will be coming in.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

**Santa Claus Event:** Supt. Brennan recapped the Santa event held at the Community Center on December 7<sup>th</sup>. She reported there was a great turn out and we had help from Whippany Park High School INTERACT Club and volunteers from the Senior Club.

**Pat Sages Basketball Tournament:** Supt. Brennan reminded the Commissioners the tournament is being held on March 14<sup>th</sup> and if they know of anyone who would like to play to encourage them to register.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Building/Field Scheduling 2020:** Supt. Brennan noted that last year 22,000 people came through the Community Center. While Recreation has tried to be flexible with scheduling different groups, they have come to expect the Community Center be available as their indoor training facility during their off season. This is problematic for a number of reasons. First, she explained that the Community Center is not a gym. The floors and building are taking a beating from the over use. The other issue is that there are so many different things going on that scheduling set-up/break-down have become a problem. Supt. Brennan distributed a letter that Tom Quick, PC/AS, will be sending out to everyone reminding them of the guidelines for building use.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**New and Amended Ordinances for Fees:** Quirk suggested instituting an “opening and closing” fee to cover the cost for the Proctor’s fee at Monroe Hall for any group that requires the building opened and closed for them. A discussion followed. Ultimately it was decided not to make any changes and to revisit the idea again in the spring after allowing time to analyze the cost associated with this service.

## **BEE MEADOW POOL:**

**Pool Party Fees:** Supt. Brennan distributed a copy the recommended Bee Meadow Pool PTA Pool Party Fees schedule. A motion was made by Commissioner Brueno to approve the fees for the Bee Meadow Pool Party Fees as distributed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Berkenkamp. All in favor, motion carried.

**Swim Camp:** Supt. Brennan and Pool Manager Eddie Cashen are developing a Swim Camp at the Bee Meadow Pool for the summer of 2020. It will be open to all Hanover Township Residents whether members of the pool or not. Non-resident pool members will be eligible to attend.

**MINUTES AND VOUCHERS:** Commissioner Berkenkamp made a motion to approve the vouchers from the December 12 and December 23, 2019 meetings. Commissioner Brueno seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Commissioner Brueno made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 12, 2019 meeting. Commissioner Monteverdi seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**ADJOURNED:** Commissioner Brueno made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. seconded by Commissioner Giorgio. All in favor, motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Dinah Schill  
Board Secretary

