

FEBRUARY 17, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Recreation Commissioners was held on Tuesday, February 17, 2015 in the Community Center.

Everyone who attended the meeting said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Coiley called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. Present were Comms. P Monteverdi, G. Salese, M. Giorgio, P. Berkenkamp, R. Brueno, Chairman J. Coiley, Supt. D. Brennan, and Program Coordinator T. Quirk. Comm. P. Sages called and said that due to an injury, he would be absent.

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, Whippany and posting such notice to the following newspaper: Morris County Daily Record and filing same with the Township Clerk.

CORRESPONDENCE CIRCULATED

2015 Recreation Commissioners' meeting dates.

A memo to the Township Committee concerning the 2015 Board of Recreation Commissioners' slate of officers.

2015 Bee Meadow Pool membership fees.

Purchase orders that were approved at the February 12th, 2015 Township Committee meeting.

The February 2015 Senior Scoop.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC—None

CORRESPONDENCE CIRCULATED—None

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Comm. Brueno stated at the Township Committee budget on Saturday, February 14, 2015, \$175,000.00 was approved for the construction of a restroom and concession building at the Brickyard Field.

Comm. Brueno stated that everything else they requested has been approved.

Comm. Brueno stated that he would also like to start some funding for a turf field in Hanover Township.

Comm. Brueno stated that they, once again, will have a flat budget and that municipal taxes will not go up.

Supt. Brennan stated that she is also pleased that Dinah Schill will be going from part time to full time effective on March 16th, 2015.

Comm. Brueno stated that the new Dial-A-Ride van was finally delivered.

Supt. Brennan stated that they can now expand their trips for Dial-A-Ride and use the van more extensively.

Comm. Giorgio stated that he is very pleased that they bathroom/concession stand building was approved at the Brickyard Field.

S.P.E.F. Budget—Supt. Brennan stated that they had a pre-construction for the Bee Meadow Pool recreation area. She indicated that construction will begin when the ground is soft.

Gregg introduced himself and said that he was the head golf professional for Anchor Golf Center. He stated that the golf center was acquired in May by local gentlemen that are partners wanting to change it back to the way it was.

Greg stated that some of the capital improvements they have done have been upgrading the facility. He indicated that they are looking to create family environment.

Greg stated that they redid the miniature golf, install portable batting cages, upgrade a par 3 golf course to name a few.

Greg stated that they are most excited about starting a junior golf program for after school and summer camps.

Greg gave a little talk concerning his own background and experience with golfing.

Gregg passed around their upcoming programs for children and families. He stated that they are going to start small this year and then grow from there. He indicated that they will have some sort of program available to adult and adult senior golfers.

Supt. Brennan stated that she and Tom met with Greg and one of the co-owners Peter Van Dorn at the center and said that it is a wonderful facility to offer children and adults.

PROGRAM COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Basketball—Tom stated that the basketball season is winding down.

Ski Program—Tom stated that the junior high went skiing five times and they had no real problems.

Supt. Brennan stated that from here on in, the ski flyers will be sent to the P.T.A. president who will email the ski notice instead of going to Memorial Jr. School. She indicated that hopefully, more children will participate next year due to email notification.

Wrestling—Tom stated that concerning wrestling, the season has ended and that they are undefeated.

Supt. Brennan stated that she would like to recognize the team maybe at the next meeting.

Girls' Lacrosse—Tom stated that so far, they have 26 registrations for grades 7th/8th girls' lacrosse and lower more manageable numbers for 5th/6th and 3rd/4th.

Tom stated that they are still searching for a 3rd/4th grade coach.

Supt. Brennan stated that they have a decent schedule set up. She indicated that they also have some practice time at the turf field at Greystone.

Boys' Lacrosse—Supt. Brennan stated that East Hanover is running the boys' lacrosse program and they are looking for some practice time at the Brickyard Field. She is waiting to see when the girls want to use it. She went on to say that the boys program is quasi private.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Theater Trips—Gigi—Supt. Brennan stated they are running a trip to see the Broadway Show "Gigi" on Thursday, April 16th and dinner before the show at Carmine's. She indicated that the total for the ticket, dinner and the bus is \$150.00.

Ever After—Supt. Brennan stated that they are also running a trip to the Papermill Playhouse to see "Ever After" on Wednesday, June 10th, 2015. She indicated that they will have dinner at Charlie Brown's at a cost of \$75.00 which includes the ticket, dinner, and the bus.

Summer Camps—Supt. Brennan stated that the Summer Plus program will run from June 29th to August 7th, 2015 at Bee Meadow School from 8:30am to 12:30pm. She indicated that they will keep the same schedule, which is 3 two-week session and the fee structure same as 2014.

Supt. Brennan stated that they will save money by not having to use the bus to transport the kids to the pool.

Summer Sports Clinics—Supt. Brennan stated that they revamped the sports clinics this year. She indicated that they will still be immediately after Summer Plus at Bee Meadow, but this year they will offer a week of HIT Hanover in Training which is sport conditioning, soccer, basketball, and different outdoor programs such as Capture the Flag.

Supt. Brennan stated that by having both offerings for the morning and afternoon, it give parents a whole day program.

Supt. Brennan stated that the registrations will be held on Saturday, August 25th from 9am to 12noon, Wednesday, April 29th from 6 to 8pm, and Thursday, April 30th, from 6 to 8pm.

Travelin' Teens Camp—Supt. Brennan stated that this year they are reviving the middle school trips for children going into 7th, 8th and ninth grade. She indicated that it will be called "Travelin' Teens" which will run the same hours every day for four weeks.

Supt. Brennan stated that this children will be dropped off at the Community Center the same time every morning and picked up the same time every late afternoon.

Supt. Brennan gave them a calendar of what trips they will be going on. She stated that it will be a set rate for three weeks and a discount if they sign up for the fourth week. She want to sell it as a whole package.

Supt Brennan stated that if they provide a quality program and it is consistent, parent will be pleased.

Wildcat Sports Camps—Supt. Brennan stated that she has already met with Todd Calaghan from Whippany Park High School concerning Wildcat Sport Camps. She indicated that last year the formula for payment was 60 percent went to the coaches, 30 percent went to the assistants, and ten percent went to recreation. She went on to say that last year one of the camps only had one assistant and he got the entire 30 percent for large enrollment.

After a brief discussion, all agreed that there must be more than one assistant and the only seniors and rising seniors would be asked to be assistants.

Bee Meadow Pool –Supt. Brennan stated that the diving board has been installed at Bee Meadow Pool.

Supt. Brennan stated that they are working on the Bee Meadow Pool mailing.

Summer Concerts—Supt. Brennan stated there are only three Mondays in July because the first Monday might be rain date for the fireworks. She indicated that she is also looking to schedule a concert for the first Monday that Comm. Giorgio recommended. She went on to say that this band play the Four Seasons music.

Supt. Brennan stated that she is also looking to provide food trucks at the Summer Concerts venue.

After a brief discussion, all agreed to have the four summer concerts will be in July beginning on July 6th, 2015.

Fourth of July Fireworks—Supt. Brennan stated that they are looking for other locations for the Fourth of July Fireworks display. She indicated that have scheduled a meeting with the Birchwood Manor.

OLD BUSINESS

First Aid Training—Tom stated that at the last meeting, he spoke with the fire department about first aid training for coaches and the cost and what is put aside in the recreation budget. He indicated that they will only be able to train ten to twelve coaches.

Tom stated that if the training was done during the day there would be no charge but at night they have to pay for the four-hour class at an overtime rate. How do you determine who takes the class?

Tom asked the Board to send a letter to the Board of Fire Commissioners about helping out with the price of the first aid course.