

JULY 21, 2015

The Regular meeting of the Board of Recreation Commissioners was held on Tuesday, July 21st, 2015 at the Community Center.

Everyone who attended said the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Chairman Coiley read the following statement: Adequate notice of the meeting was provided in accordance with 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

Purchase orders that were approved at the July 21st, 2015 Township Committee meeting.

The Senior Golf Outing program.

The July 2015 Senior Scoop.

Upcoming events in the Fall.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC-NONE

CORRESPONDENCE—NONE

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Comm. Brueno stated that the concept of Recreation having a Facebook page will be discussed at the August Township Committee meeting. He indicated that he feels that it is necessary for them to get the information out to the public in a timely fashion.

Comm. Brueno stated that the Fourth of July Fireworks Display, which was held on Wednesday, July 1st at Veteran's Field, was a huge success. He thanked the department for all their hard work in coordinating the activities and the main event.

Comm. Brueno stated that the 2015 Summer Concerts are under way. He indicated that they already held three of them.

Comm. Brueno stated that the Senior Golf Outing, which was held on Monday, July 20th, 2015 at Rolling Green, was a huge success with 43 participants.

ENGINEERING REPORT

Supt. Brennan stated that concerning the Community Center audio system, they received quotations on May 11th, but they are now waiting for a revised quote that eliminates the microphones.

Supt. Brennan stated concerning the Bee Meadow Park restrooms/concession stand, there has been no activity.

Supt. Brennan stated that it is the same for Veteran's Field restroom and concession stand.

Comm. Brueno stated they are bringing in a project manager to evaluate the Engineering Department. He indicated that the work that needs to be done such as road paving is not getting done in a timely fashion.

Supt. Brennan stated that concerning capital, the Community Center room dividers for the office have been ordered and will be installed sometime in August.

PROGRAM COORDINATOR'S REPORT

First Aid Training—Tom stated that six CIT's and two instructors received CPR and First Aid Training yesterday through the Whippany Fire Company.

Senior Golf Outing—Tom stated that concerning the Senior Golf Outing, the majority of the work was done by Supt. Brennan. He indicated that the seniors were really not involved at all.

New York Yankees—Tom stated that concerning the New York Yankees trip, at the last minute, they found out that they needed to buy a bus parking permit. He indicated that he paid for it and will get refunded.

Tom stated that everyone seemed to have a good time.

New York Jets Game—Tom stated that they are running a trip to see the New York Jets versus the Philadelphia Eagles on Sunday 27th, 2015 for a 1pm game at Met Life Stadium. He indicated that they have 20 tickets for \$85.00 and 20 tickets for \$150.00.

Bee Meadow Pool Registration Report—Mary stated that as of July 21st, 2015, they gone up in most of the resident memberships and they are a little down on non-resident memberships.

Comm. Brueno stated that he received a report from Silvio concerning non-resident memberships have decreased.

Concession Stand--Supt. Brennan stated that the pool concession stand is going well this summer. She indicated that the owner, Victor, is pretty happy with the amount of customers. She went on to say that he has also been open during the summer concerts.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Fireworks Recap—Supt. Brennan stated that they had a Fourth of July Fireworks recap meeting with the police. She indicated that unfortunately, people were still crossing Route 10 which is not safe. She went on to say that the only complaint was that the food truck vendors were split up in the two parking lots.

Comm. Giorgio suggested that maybe next year; the Commissioners should take the shuttle bus so they can see what that is like for the spectators who use this transportation.

Tom stated that 350 people arrived in the shuttle buses and that more took them home.

Summer Concert Update—Supt. Brennan stated that the Summer Concert update was already discussed.

Hanover Township Day—Supt. Brennan stated Hanover Township Day will be held on Saturday, September 12th with a rain date of September 13th from 1 to 5pm. She indicated that they have already started planning the day and booking the activities and events.

Supt. Brennan stated that they have some sponsors and volunteers.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Shared Services—Chairman Coiley stated that they have good news on shared services even though the sub-committee did not meet. He indicated that the Board of Education has a new interim superintendent, Bob Mooney, and that Denise has met with him.

Chairman Coiley stated that Supt. Brennan received a letter from the superintendent indicating that Hanover Township Recreation will be listed and number two for building and field usage concerning the Board of Education’s property instead of number five.

Supt. Brennan stated that Mr. Mooney is very accessible and seems like he is a hands on person.

Turf—Chairman Brueno stated that they received prices for artificial turf for the Brickyard, Stoney Brook, and Allegro fields and that the Brickyard is the overwhelming choice. He indicated that they will be meeting with representatives from the various sport organizations on Thursday, July 23rd to get their input.

OLD BUSINESS

AED’s in Parks—Supt. Brennan stated that they have money in the budget this year for the purchase and installation of AED’s for some of the parks. She indicated that they will do the rest in 2016.

NEW BUSINESS

Fee Review—Supt. Brennan thanked Tom for putting together the Recreation Fees Review which includes what they pay the instructor and a column for the new total fee which includes a five dollar charge for the usage of credit cards. She indicated that Comm. Brueno will present it to the Township Committee where it will be introduced and then become an ordinance.

They briefly reviewed the increases.

Supt. Brennan stated that the only fees they need to have a discussion about are page three which is field usage. After a brief discussion, all voted to double the fees across the board.*****

***Supt. Brennan spoke with Green Acres and found out that fees cannot be doubled. The fees did not increase and will be discussed at a later date.

Pool Recreation Area Injury—Supt. Brennan stated that a grandfather who was shooting baskets with his grandson tripped over his own foot and fell. She indicated that an ambulance was dispatched from the county and they asked for a street address and there is none for Bee Meadow Pool.

Supt. Brennan stated that First Aid responder Robert Lake went over to speak with Gerry from Engineering about getting an address so this does not happen again.

MINUTES AND VOUCHERS

Comm. Berkenkamp made a motion to approve the minutes from the June meeting. Comm. Giorgio seconded it. All approved.

Comm. Berkenkamp made a motion to approve the vouchers. Comm. Giorgio seconded it. All approved.

CLOSED

Comm. Berkenkamp made a motion to close the meeting at 8:40pm. Comm. Sages seconded it. All approved.

Chairman Coiley read the following statement:

Whereas the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231 of the Law of 1975, which provides that a public body may exclude the public from that portion of the meeting at which the public body discussed certain matters from which confidentiality is required as permitted in Section 7b of the Act.

1. The following matter of Personnel is to be discussed by the Recreation Commission on a confidential basis as provided in Section 7b of the Act.
2. The matter will be considered at this time and the public shall not be admitted to this discussion.

3. The result of the discussion set forth above, to be conducted in closed session will be disclosed to the public, if possible, when the meeting is reconvened.

OPEN AND ADJOURN

Comm. Berkenkamp made a motion to re-open the meeting at 9:10pm. Comm. Sages seconded it. All approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary O. Colton, Recording Secretary