

**Board of Recreation Commission  
Regular Meeting  
July 19, 2016**

The Regular meeting of the Board of Recreation Commissioners was held on Tuesday, July 19, 2016 in the Community Center.

Everyone who attended the meeting said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Coiley called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present were Commissioners : M. Giorgio, P. Sages, P. Montiverdi, Chairman J. Coiley , Program Coordinator Tom Quirk, and Supt. Brennan.

Absent were Commissioner Salese and Committeeman Brueno.

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 the Township Clerk.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** None

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT:** None

**ENGINEERING REPORT:**

Suburban Consultant Engineering is waiting direction from the Recreation Commission. They have advised at this point in time completion of the concession stand for 2016 is not possible.

Bee Meadow Pool wading pool bids were opened on July 6<sup>th</sup> and the contract was awarded to Ray Palmer Associates for \$39,000.00. Work will commence once the pool is emptied for the season and work is to be completed by April 28, 2017.

Quotes for the outdoor gym equipment for Central Park are due July 22, 2016.

**PROGRAM COORDINATOR'S REPORT:**

FIELD USE: Summer permits have all been issued. Fields are at optimal use and currently there is only one night Black Brook 90 is not in use.

FINGERPRINT UPDATE: Up to date with the sports programs. Currently working on pool employees.

GOLF OUTING: Registrations are very low and the event is in danger of being cancelled.

FALL PROGRAMS: Applications for ballfield usage have been sent for the Fall sports programs. In addition, instructors for the ongoing programs have been contacted.

FIELD HOCKEY: A Field Hockey Clinic will take place on July 26, 27, and 28 and will be held at Allegro Field. John Keating from the Harding Hawks is coaching the program.

YANKEE/METS TICKETS: Currently there are six tickets left for the Yankee/Mets game on August 3, 2016.

AED/CPR TRAINING: Although not on the agenda, Program Coordinator Quirk added he just received notification that the Board of Fire Commissioners have agreed to do AED/CPR training again and currently have 3 dates scheduled; 2 for football and 1 for soccer.

#### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

FIREWORKS: Superintendent Brennan reported that she was pleased with the event and felt it was a huge success. The buses ran great, there were more people, and everyone loved the finale. However, there is a concern that the number of individuals being drawn to watch the fireworks at Pine Plaza is taking away people from participating in this Recreation sponsored event.

Commissioner Giorgio suggested moving the location of the fireworks to Black Brook Park. He stated he felt it would be a safer area. Chairman Coiley explained both Fire Companies had previously denied Black Brook as a viable location for fireworks due to a gas line in the area.

Several vendors suggested next year putting tables in the center of the parking for an eating area as opposed to behind the Community Center.

#### **HANOVER TOWNSHIP DAY:**

Supt. Brennan stated Hanover Township Day will be held on September 10, rain date September 11. She noted that there was a suggestion to move Hanover Township Day to the same location as the fireworks as it is a central location and people seemed to enjoy the set up. Commissioner Sages stated he felt that unless we would get more participation he would be opposed to changing locations as he felt it is the best venue for our needs. He noted the area is flat for set up, and the pond is there for boats. All things considered the Commission agreed Malapardis is the best location for Hanover Township Day.

KIDS TRI-HARDER TRI-ATHLON: Supt. Brennan introduced Summer Intern Connor Delade, who gave a report on this event. Connor worked to put this event together as part of his Special Project graduation requirement. Connor Delade reported that a Kids Tri-Harder Tri-Athlon was held on Saturday, July 16 at Bee Meadow Pool. There were 46 children registered between the ages of four to fourteen. The goal was to get children active and outdoors. The first event was swimming, followed by biking, and ended with running. Connor felt it was successful and the kids seemed to enjoy themselves. He suggested that next time there be more volunteers and more timers are needed.

SUMMER CONCERTS: Supt. Brennan spoke about the new tiered sponsorships. The number one sponsor for this year's concerts is Wegmans. As the number one sponsor their name appeared on the all the signs, they received t-shirts with their logo on the front and the back of the shirt was printed with "Proud Sponsor of the Hanover Township Concert Series." They also received a photo-op with all the bands. The number two sponsor was Star-Lo Electric. They also received t-shirts with their logo and a picture with the band. Supt. Brennan asked the Committeeman who were available to attend the next concert, "AM Gold" where most of the sponsors would be receiving their plaques.

### **POOL REPORT:**

Supt. Brennan reported that a comparison of numbers for resident family memberships and non-resident family memberships are down this year over last year. Although the number of memberships are down in those categories total income is up from last year. Chairman Coiley would like a questionnaire/survey sent to past members who did not join this year and ask why they did not join this year.

Supt. Brennan said she will provide a listing of all categories (not just for resident and non-resident families) at the August meeting. Chairman Coiley also inquired about guest pass numbers and asked for the number to be provided at the next meeting.

Fees will be reduced in August by 40%.

There was a skin cancer screening at the pool on Saturday. The local hospital screened 30 people in a two hour span. Of the 30 people screened 13 were referred for follow up. Supt. Brennan told the Commissioners about a Pilot Program run by the Melanoma Research Foundation offering free sunscreen dispensing. Eddie Cashen requested a free standing unit for Bee Meadow Pool. In addition Supt. Brennan would like to have dispensers placed at the Parks. The Commission agreed this was a great opportunity.

### **SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

CONCESSION STAND: Commissioner Giorgio reported he and Supt. Brennan visited Boonton and Randolph's parks to tour their concession stands and to see what equipment they have. He reported there were no ovens or stove top grills. They plan to follow up with a visit to Lurker Park. Supt. Brennan added Boonton and Randolph were equipped with a microwave, small deep fryers, refrigerators, and large charcoal grills. Supt. Brennan stated she had a concern with deep fryers as they are expensive and feels they are a liability and feels a convection oven will be sufficient.

FIELD PROJECT: In the absence of Committeeman Brueno, Supt. Brennan presented a rough draft from Dave Leo for proposed fields on the Hermes property by Route 24. The property size would fit a couple fields at this location. Commissioner Sages gave some background to the Committee regarding a prior attempt to develop the property for fields. At the time Morristown Beard was going to pay all expenses to develop the property and Hanover Township would be able to use the fields after 4:00 p.m. at no cost. But the residents fought the development. The traffic at that light is horrendous and you cannot go left to exit. Additionally the upper part of the property is by the exit for Route 24.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

RECOGNITION OF BILL BRITTLE: Bill Brittle will be invited to the September meeting and be honored for his years of service to the Recreation Department. His family will also be invited.

DIAL A RIDE: Supt. Brennan reported sharing drivers with East Hanover is working very well. In addition she reported that she has received final approval to hire a part time Dial A Ride dispatcher for 20 hours in the afternoons.

**SCOREBOARD:** Chairman Coiley noted at the last meeting Rocco Siino, on behalf of HTLL requested a scoreboard for Malapardis Park for the 50-70 field. Robin Dente talked to Wegman's and they are willing to donate \$3,000. While Mr. Siino thinks a scoreboard can be purchased for that amount, a more realistic figure is \$10,000. Combining Wegmans donation of \$3,000 and HTLL contribution of \$1,500, there would be a balance of \$5,500 that the Township would have to cover. There was question about how much a scoreboard would actually be used. The Program Coordinator noted that the scoreboard at the big field at Black Brook Park is not ever used. The issue before the Commission is whether to approve the cost to the Township for a scoreboard that most likely will not be used. It was decided to contact Ryan Sheridan for more information.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The Program Coordinator stated he is working with Supt. Brennan on developing a fee schedule for single-day field usage.

**CLOSED SESSION:** Chairman Coiley made a motion to close the meeting at 9:00 p.m. and go into closed session to discuss personnel issues. Comm. Giorgio 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 by 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 ADJOURNED:**

The meeting came out of closed session at 9:30 p.m. and reconvened into open session.

Comm. Giorgio made a motion to adjourn. Comm. Sages seconded the motion. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dinah Schill