

**Board of Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting
May 17, 2016**

The Regular meeting of the Board of Recreation Commissioners was held on Tuesday, May 17, 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. Monteverdi, P. Sages, Committeeman R. Brueno, Chairman J. Coiley , Program Coordinator Tom Quirk, and Supt. Brennan.

Comm. Salese was absent

Comm. Berkenkamp joined the meeting at 8:15 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 the Township Clerk.

PUBLIC:

Hanover Township Youth Wrestling: Steve Barone introduced himself to the Recreation Commission and discussed his plans and goals for the Hanover Bobcats. Mr. Barone will be taking the place of Coach Deehan who will be stepping down from the position. Mr. Barone stated he has been involved with wrestling over the years and knows people in the various leagues. He has already reached out to them and let them know about the changes that are taking place. He further added he has been in contact with Mr. Deehan for guidance and advice.

Supt. Brennan acknowledged Mr. Barone's long history with the program and thanked him for his participation in the program. She explained to Mr. Barone that from November through March on both Thursdays and Saturdays the Recreation Center is blocked out for the sole use of the wrestling program. With regard to Coaches she explained to Mr. Barone that all coaches must have background checks as well as concussion certification, as they are requirements of the schools. Since we use their facilities we must comply. Supt. Brennan will send Mr. Barone information regarding the process for taking the online concussion certification program.

Comm. Monteverdi commended Mr. Barone for giving his time to the program.

Correspondence: Supt. Brennan read a letter from Mark Kramer of the Rose House who provides opportunities for the developmentally disabled inquiring if the Bee Meadow Pool was a DDD Provider.

Supt. Brennan checked with Administrator Giorgio and found we are not, and will respond to Mr. Kramer.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT: No report.

ENGINEERING REPORT: The Bee Meadow wading pool and main pool project is out for bid on June 1st with a scheduled to-be-completed date of April 28, 2017. In the meantime the wading pool has been jack-hammered, filled and painted for this season.

Concession Stand: There was a meeting with the design consultant on March 29th. As a result of that meeting Suburban emailed a revised layout on April 7th, floor plans and elevations on April 13th, and a revised cost estimate on April 14th. All have been forwarded to the Recreation Commission Sub-Committee of Building. Suburban is waiting for our recommendations on several items that have yet to be decided.

Supt. Brennan read the following statement from Dave Leo: "At this point completion of the concession stand for the 2016 football season is not possible based on bidding and time requirements, construction time requirements, and lead time from the fabricator of the building. " Therefore Supt. Brennan made the recommendation of adding capital to the budget and start building in the Spring.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the cost for the concession stand. Comms. Monteverdi and Sages believe it would be more cost effective to build custom as opposed to a prefabricated structure. As a result of that discussion Committeeman Brueno will call Dave Leo to review why the decision was made to use prefab vs. custom, if there is an alternate, and review the cost comparison. If a special meeting is needed he will notify the Commission.

PROGRAM COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

Musco Lights Update: Although there was discussion at the last meeting to move forward with the installation of lights at Veteran's field, it is the suggestion of Tom Quirk to wait until next year rather than take the money out of the trust account.

Fishing Contest: Although the weather was cold and rainy the event went well. Although this event is held rain or shine, Committeeman Brueno suggests next year Recreation have a rain date for the event.

Tickets for a Yankee vs. Met Game on August 3rd are available. Program Coordinator Quirk negotiated with the Board of Education for use of one of their smaller, air conditioned buses and was therefore able to keep the price to under \$400.00 as opposed to Vanderhoof who would charge \$1,065. That savings will help keep the cost of ticket sales down to a more reasonable price.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Golf Outing: Scheduled for June 6, 2016. The cost is \$75.00 including breakfast, lunch, a shirt, golf fees and the cart. Supt. Brennan has put the information on our website and FaceBook.

Family Health Expo: Joetta Clark Diggs, a four time Olympian who was voted Woman Athlete of the Century by the Star ledger was here as part of the Mayor's Wellness Campaign. Diggs lead an exercise session and signed copies of her book. There was a lot of participation at this event and great vendors.

Following the Health Expo was the one hour, three mile Discover Hanover Walk with the Fosters.

Camp Registration: Two of the three sessions have been sold out for Summer Plus. Travelling Teens is currently at 16 and we are still working to fill those remaining spots.

Fireworks: There will be a planning meeting on Tuesday, May 24th with all department supervisors and Garden State Fireworks Company. Fireworks are scheduled for Wednesday, June 29th with a rain date of June 30th. There will be a DJ and band, food trucks, and organized activities for the kids. Permission has been granted from the Board of Education to use their buses.

Concerts: There will be three concerts this year. July 11, 18, and 25. Food trucks will arrive at 6:00 p.m. and the concerts will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Pool Membership: Memberships are down a little from last year. The cool weather seems to be a factor.

OLD BUSINESS

Pool Report: Swim Team Coach Update: Catherine Mills has been hired as the Head Coach for the Swim Team. Catherine is the Swim Coach for the high school. Chiara Mennonna will be the Assistant Coach, and the two Volunteer Coaches are Joseph Gigantino and Emily Fu.

Oakalita Memorial: Brian Foran met with those who are organizing the Oaklita Memorial and showed them several locations for their memorial. They have decided to move forward with the project at Malapardis Park.

NEW BUSINESS:

Supt. Brennan read a request from the 2 Kids Foundation requesting the Park Use Fee to be waived for their upcoming event. As much as the Commissioners are sympathetic to the causes of all non-profit organizations they are not able to waive the fee for any groups. The current fee schedule barely covers costs of the Public Works employees and generally a portion is funded by the Recreation Department. Supt. Brennan will call the 2 Kids Foundation to explain the reason(s) Recreation is unable to grant their request.

Use of Facility Guidelines: There has been ongoing issues with organizations who request to use the Community Center with unrealistic expectations of equipment/services that can be provided for their events. Committeeman Brueno will provide a reminder to organizations that their needs must be made clear on the facility use form well in advance of their events, and not all requests can be met.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Supt. Brennan asked the Commission to pursue a request she received from an East Stroudsburg University students for an internship. The Committee approved.

CLOSED: Committeeman Brueno made a motion to close the meeting at 9:05 p.m. Comm. Berkenkamp 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. Monteverdi seconded the motion. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dinah Schill
Recording Secretary