

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m.

**BOARD OF RECREATION
RIDGEFIELD PARK, NEW JERSEY
January 16, 2020**

President Diane Maglione called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m., it having been duly noted that this meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., notice of which was published in The Record and sent to the Star Ledger as well as posted on the Village bulletin board. Roll call was taken. Commission members present: Diane Maglione, Lloyd Domke, Hal Bomzer, Howie Jacobs and Mike Ruiz. Excused: Gil Bell, Jimmy Coloma, Scott Garris, Mercedes Haines, Kaitlyn Maglione, Tom Strowbridge.

The minutes of the October 17 & November 21, 2019, meetings were approved.

Correspondence:

- Email dated 1/2/20 from Supt. Angela Bender Re: Use of bus
- Thank you letter from Mayor for the tree lighting
- Email dated 1/6/20 from Lisa Paul regarding basketball
- Info from Yankees on ticket sales
- Letter dated 1/14/20 from Elizabeth Van Geldren, Welfare Dept., thanking Rec for assistance with wish tree
- Email dated 1/15/20 from Vince Buono, CFO Re: Purchases which are reimbursed & sales tax
- Email dated 1/16/20 from Palermo's Re: Holiday Display Contest – thanks for prize

Hearing of Citizens – None present.

Bowling – No activity at this time.

Women's Softball – Packets will be going out shortly.

Holiday Display Contest – The contest was held on Friday, December 20. Winners received a personalized cookie jar and runner-up prizes were ornaments. All prizes were either given out at the Commissioner's meeting or delivered to the winners.

Winners were:

Chris & Theresa Bertuzzi 99 Highland Place	Phil & Deb Dispenza 22 Overpeck Avenue	Palermo's Bakery 187 Main Street
Dayle's Village Flower Shoppe 286 Teaneck Road	Marlboro House 265 Main Street	Van Buskirk Family 122 Euclid Avenue

Runners-up were:

Haines Family 206 Christie Street	Kelly Family 81 Main Street	Ruiz Family 31 Austin Street
Hoffman Family 20 Highland Place	Long Family 368 Main Street	

Wish Tree – The ornaments were at Oritani Savings Bank. All names were taken and gifts distributed. Next year, the Village might have its own tree in the hallway of the municipal building. The Welfare Dept. was grateful for the assistance.

Tree Lighting – Bad weather forced the tree lighting inside this year. Only one student showed up from Grant School chorus but the Dicken's carolers entertained the crowd in the court room. This year there were three girls from Roosevelt School that won the gift baskets. Juliana Maron from Lincoln School won the bike. Wands were given out to the kids that came to the court room.

Rag-A-Muffin – No activity at this time.

Adult Trips/Activities – Information came in for tickets to a Yankee game. Howie Jacobs is going to look into this. The Board can offer the tickets and the town can pick up the cost of a bus so the trip would be affordable for families.

Basketball – There have been a few problems starting in week one resulting in some suspensions, which were discussed in closed session. Members were brought up-to-date on various incidents that have been handled already. The following speech was given before each game last weekend.

“The Board tries to make the basketball program a pleasant experience for players, coaches, and parents. We have had a number of incidents involving spectators and coaches during games already this season in multiple divisions exhibiting poor sportsmanship and/or behavior. There has been unauthorized use of school property in both Lincoln and Grant Schools, jeopardizing our permits. That includes the balls in Lincoln and the stage equipment in Grant. You must stay off both stages except where there are chairs in Grant. Anyone who behaves in a way that violates Board of Rec policy will be asked to leave the gym and face possible suspension from the program. We appreciate your cooperation in helping to maintain a better atmosphere during the games.”

It was well received by the parents and fans in the bleachers and the weekend went smoothly. Nothing has happened since the speech and suspensions that were handed out.

All coaches have now completed the background check. Next year, the background check and concussion course must be completed before anyone is permitted to coach. The Board will still host the certification clinic early in the season.

Diane Maglione asked Hal to remind the coaches to please put complete names and write neatly. If books are not handed in on time, checks will have to wait because they will miss the cut-off date with the front office.

Deposits: (11/1/19-12/31/19)

Registrations \$4,215

Expenses:

Refund \$55

Shirts \$3,146.00

Equipment \$3,063.44

Total \$6,264.44

Saturday Night Hoops – Howie Jacob was advised by Principal Eric Koenig that no food is allowed in the gym so they will not be selling refreshments this year to benefit project graduation. He is still working on the schedule. He is still looking into doing some type of fun game or activity with the program but is waiting to hear back as to prices before plans can be finalized. He will probably do some gift cards at some point. He ordered hoodies for the coaches this year.

Deposits: 11/1/19-12/31/19)

Registrations: \$3,375

Expenses:

Shirts: \$2,805

Equipment/gift cards: \$679.71

Total: \$3,484.71

Girls' 5/6 Travel Basketball Team – The team asked about participating in a tournament in February or March. The cost would be about \$300.00. The program is going well and they make sure to keep the Board advised of all plans before they happen. The Board has no problem with them competing in a tournament and will cover the registration fee.

Expenses: (11/1/19-12/31/19)

League Fee \$267.00

Tennis – No activity at this time.

T2S Basketball – The fall session just finished.

Competition Cheer Team – Kellie Nagle and Jay Vargas were present to pick up checks. Kellie asked if it was ok for the parents to each pay \$8.44 so there is enough to enter another tournament (this is the balance still needed after using all funds allotted to this program). She said she will get a statement signed by each parent and then give one check for the full amount needed.

She also said they plan to go to Disney this year. They won't know the cost until after competing in one of the competitions. If they win the competition, they can be awarded an at large bid. The Board reminded her that it had no more money to give to the program as they had used it up on competitions already. Kellie said she is aware of that and any other competitions entered would need to be paid by each parent. Jay Vargas asked if he was permitted to pay for a competition and the Board reminded them both that they are not permitted to accept any donations.

Treasurer Kaitlyn Maglione has given both Fausta Vargas and Kellie Nagle a copy of expenses and the balance that was in the account. After paying for these competitions, the cheering account is in the negative by \$24.89. The Board of Recreation has covered the overage but will not be covering any more expenses for this program for this year.

Competition cheering (11/1/19-12/31/19)

Expenses:

Bows: \$1,898.00

Year: 2019-2020: Total income: \$21,950.00 Total Expenses: \$15,238.89 Balance: \$6,711.31

Treasurer's Report -

Beginning balance as of November 1, 2019, was \$40,122.79, total deposits were \$7,628.00, total expenses were \$19,011.78, leaving a balance of \$28,739.01 as of December 31, 2019. A detailed report is in the file.

Old Business – No activity at this time.

New Business: None at this time.

Meeting dates were set for 2020 as follows:

JANUARY 16	JULY – NO MEETING
FEBRUARY 20	AUGUST – NO MEETING
MARCH 19	SEPTEMBER 17
APRIL 16	OCTOBER 15
MAY 21	NOVEMBER 19
JUNE 18	DECEMBER 17 (IF NECESSARY)

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 20, 2020.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. on a motion made by Howie Jacobs and seconded by Hal Bomzer. All were in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

cc: Commissioner Adam MacNeill

Barbara DeLuca