

**NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m.**

**BOARD OF RECREATION  
RIDGEFIELD PARK, NEW JERSEY  
February 20, 2020**

President Diane Maglione called the meeting to order at 7:05 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, Gil Bell, Hal Bomzer, Howie Jacobs. Excused: Jimmy Coloma, Scott Garris, Mercedes Haines, Kaitlyn Maglione, Mike Ruiz, Tom Strowbridge.

The minutes of the January 16, 2020, meeting could not be approved as there was no quorum.

**Correspondence:**

- T2S gym permits for Spring 2020
- New bank documents from Valley Bank (formerly Oritani Savings)

**Hearing of Citizens** – None present.

**Bowling** – No activity at this time.

**Women's Softball** – Packets were sent out to the teams. The \$1,000.00 field usage fee will be paid from leftover funds as there was no end-of-season party.

**4<sup>th</sup> of July** – No activity at this time.

**Holiday Display Contest** – No activity at this time.

**Expenses**

Additional Holiday Display Gifts/expenses: \$293.75

**Total: \$293.75**

**Wish Tree** – No activity at this time.

**Tree Lighting** – No activity at this time.

**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 when the basketball season ends

**Basketball** – There have been a few minor incidents that have been handled already. Players are continuously reminded about good sportsmanship. Payments for referees/scorers/timers have all gone out for the first-half of the season. This is the last week of the regular season and then playoffs begin the following week. The invoice came in for the trophies and a check will be mailed out this week.

**Basketball**

**Expenses**

Stop payment on registration check: \$75

**Total: \$75**

**Saturday Night Hoops** – Howie Jacobs said the program has been going well. There are five weeks left. They lost one week to schools being closed due to snow. Playoffs are scheduled for the final two weeks. He will get a few more gift cards for some contests to be held on one of the playoff nights.

**Saturday Night Hoops**

**Deposits**

Registrations: \$225

**Total: \$225**

#### Expenses

Shirts: \$162

**Total: \$162**

**Girls' 5/6 Travel Basketball Team** – The team recently participated in a tournament and did well, winning both games. The program is going well and they make sure to keep the Board advised of all plans before they happen. The only problem with this program is finding available gym time for the team to practice in. The Board requested gym time in March but was advised that it will be hard to find gym time due to indoor softball and baseball practices. The Board is hoping to get gym time starting in April but has not heard back on whether the request was approved. The team is now looking for girls for next season.

**Tennis** – No activity at this time but plans are complete for the next session. **Session 1** April 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2, **Session 2** May 16, 23, 30, June 6, 13.

**T2S Basketball** – The program is continuing under Larry Umana and Nate Lopez.

**Competition Cheer Team** – The Board received a check from Fausta Vargas in the amount of \$540.00, representing the amount collected to participate in the Impact Cheer & Dance Challenge to be held on March 8, 2020. Each member contributed \$8.71 to participate in this event since all funds allotted to the program have been spent and signed off on their contribution toward entry fees.

#### Cheering

##### Expenses

Competitions (3): \$6,736

**Total: \$6,736**

\*Account has zeroed out. Final competition payments made

**Easter Egg Hunt** – After a discussion about the various obstacles with the hunt, the Board decided it is unable to host the Easter egg hunt and will let the Board of Commissioners know.

#### **Treasurer's Report -**

Beginning balance as of January 1, 2020, was \$28,739.00, total deposits were \$225.00, total expenses were \$7,266.75, leaving a balance of \$21,697.26, as of January 31, 2020. A detailed report is in the file.

**Old Business** – No activity at this time.

**New Business:** Lloyd Domke asked to discuss stipends. When reviewing the budget for last year, he noticed that a good portion of the Board of Recreation's budget are stipends given to private organizations by the Board of Commissioners. The stipends were a good thing when started by the Board of Commissioners and helped organizations provide activities to all the youth in the Village but things have changed and it is getting a bit out of control.

During a past discussion, the Commissioner had informed the Board that stipends would be distributed on a per participant figured based on the total amount of participants. The Board is in agreement that it is good to support youth programs but it needs to be brought under control. Travel teams, that are not open to all players, are given the same stipends as programs available to all players. Parents understand that travel teams are different than the general recreation league where all participate and playing time is given to all. Parents that sign up for travel teams know before they register their child that there is no guaranteed playing time and players with higher skills most likely will play more than the lesser skilled athlete. The Board of Recreation has no say in any stipend given to an organization even though it is taken from the Board of Recreation budget. The distribution of stipends needs to be reviewed and updated to take into account current situations.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 19, 2020.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 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