

**NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m.**

**BOARD OF RECREATION  
RIDGEFIELD PARK, NEW JERSEY  
May 18, 2023**

President Diane Maglione called the meeting to order at 7:01 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 the Star Ledger as well as posted on the Village bulletin board. Roll call was taken. Commission members present: Diane Maglione, Hal Bomzer, Gil Bell, Howie Jacobs, Melinda Lugo, Royce Morris, Mike Ruiz, Barbara Steiner, Bella Wagner. Excused: Melina Pope.

The minutes of the April 20, 2023, meeting were approved on a motion made by Melinda Lugo and seconded by Hal Bomzer. All were in favor of the motion.

**Correspondence:**

- Memo from Tara O'Grady Re: Newsletter deadline is May 24.

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

**Tree Lighting** – No activity at this time. Mercedes Haines will write up a set of procedures for Melinda Lugo, who is taking over this event.

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

**Basketball:** Early bird registration will be held until August 15. Regular registration will be held on September 22 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. and September 23 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the Civic Center. Registration fees in September will be \$55.00. Evaluations will be 10/30 & 11/1.

**Big Mike's League – Regular Season Dates: 9/11, 9/18, 9/25, 10/2, 10/9, 10/16, 10/23. Playoff Dates: 11/2 & 11/3.**

**Saturday Night Hoops** – As the All-Star game originally planned was unable to be played, a decision was made to try and hold an All-Star tournament the night of May 20. The games will include the HS teams from 2022 and 2023 as well as Rec All-Star teams from 2022 and 2023. It will be a 6-game world cup tournament followed by finals. Howie will have use of the PA system and scoreboard.

**Girls' 3/4 Travel Basketball Team** – Carlos Alvarez coaches this team. He will practice with the girls at Roosevelt School on Tuesday nights 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. starting March 28 and ending June 27.

**Girls' 7/8 Travel Basketball Team** – Al Ramirez is coaching this team. It will be practicing at Lincoln on Mondays and Wednesdays through June. All is going well. They are entered in a league.

**Boys' 7/8 Travel Basketball Team** – Deinde Otuyelu is coaching this team. He will practice at Lincoln on Thursdays and Fridays through June. Permit came in for use of Lincoln School gym from 3/17 – 6/23.

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

**Women's Softball** – There will be no softball program this year. Only three teams were returning so they will try again next year.

**Fourth of July** – No activity at this time. The grand marshal will be selected at the May meeting.

**Rag-A-Muffin** – No activity at this time. A new banner will have to be ordered before the parade to add the new divisions. The parade will take place on October 21 this year with a rain date scheduled for October 28 to try to eliminate conflicts with trunks or treats held the same day. Key Club said they can assist with this event.

**Adult Trips/Activities** – No activity at this time.

**Archery Clinic** – The session runs from April 15, 2023 – June 24, 2023 – No archery on May 27 for Memorial Day Weekend. A post was put on the village Instagram and Facebook page asking for volunteers for this program as well as if you're not sure if you will be interested, try one session on Saturdays at 9am, 10am or 11am at no cost.

**Tennis** – Residents may contact Barry Ruback at [barrys10s@gmail.com](mailto:barrys10s@gmail.com) or 201-568-3946 with any questions. The spring session is scheduled for: Saturday May 6, 13, 20, 27, June 3. The summer session will run on **TUESDAYS June 20, 27, July 11, 18, 25** at Fellowship Park. The cost is \$85.00. Residents may contact Barry Ruback at [barrys10s@gmail.com](mailto:barrys10s@gmail.com) or 201-568-3946 with any questions. Adults and children are welcome to join in the fun.

5:00 – 6:00 pm 6 - 8 years old  
 6:00 – 7:00 pm 9 - 11 years old  
 7:00 – 8:00 pm 12 years old and up  
**8:00 – 9:00 pm Adults**

**T2S Basketball** – The skills program is run by Larry Umana and Nate Lopez and held at Veterans Park, 10 Morningside Lane. Their Summer Clinic will run: Week 1: June 26 - June 29 ; Week 2: July 03 - July 06; Week 3: July 10 - July 13; Week 4: July 17 - July 20, Week 5: July 24 – July 27; Week 6: July 31 - Aug 03. Pavilion available for shade & hydration. **FEE:** \$250 per week (\$50 OFF Sibling Discount); **MULTIPLE WEEK REGISTRATION FEE:** \$225 per week. Applicants must register online at <https://www.t2sba.com/products/summercamp>. For multi-week registrations, use <https://www.t2sba.com/products>. Info: [t2sbasketballacademy@gmail.com](mailto:t2sbasketballacademy@gmail.com). The Board will instruct Larry to contact them before sending anything out.

**Ping Pong** – Sue Chak is running the program. The fee is \$120.00 per session. There has been some confusion getting the program organized and setting the ping pong tables up in time for the sessions. As a result, the two children who signed up for the youth session requested a refund, which was given. The Board tried to get set-up straightened out with the DPW so the adult session will start on time. There are 7 adults in this session. Sue has written to the Senior Center to see if they would be interested in holding lessons for the seniors but has not received a response.

In the future, for the program to continue, the instructor needs to arrive earlier so the program can start on time. The Rec table has been damaged by moving it so much. It has footprints on the back of it. Diane said when the instructor arrives after 7:00 p.m., the doors are locked and makes the class even later. Diane comes to open/lock up so a DPW employee is not necessary. She is unavailable on June 18. Mike Ruiz said he can handle it that day.

**Easter Egg Hunt** – The bunny suit is cleaned and ready for next year.

**Treasurer's Report** – The beginning balance as of 3/31/23 was \$22,841.00 Total expenses as of 4/28/23 of \$2,922.33 (Sat Night Hoops basketball, rec basketball, Easter candy and prizes, partial ping pong refund, stamps). Total deposits \$1,865.24 (archery and Easter Egg Hunt reimbursement) with \$80.54 interest. Net available balance 4/28/23 \$21,783.91.

A motion was made by Howie Jacobs and seconded by Royce Morris to accept the Treasurer's Report. All were in favor of the motion.

#### **Old Business:**

**Movie Night** – The Board has not received final details on the date and location of movie night yet. Any available members who can help out that night is all that is needed.

#### **New Business:**

Earth Day is scheduled for May 20, 2023, from 10:00 am. – 3:00 p.m. at Riverfront Park. The archery clinic will be open, but members are needed to man a table at the event. Melina will be away on business on May 20. DPW will need to put horses by the range so no one walks while shooting is taking place.

Still looking into goat yoga. Howie Jacobs also has some possible new activities he is looking into.

**Music program** – Amy Bologna will start a summer string music camp. Information will be available shortly.

**Dart Program** – there was some talk of a possible dart program in the future.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 15, 2023.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m. on a motion made by Bella Wagner and seconded by Mike Ruiz. All were in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Barbara DeLuca*  
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cc: Commissioner Mark Olson