

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, April 15, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.

**BOARD OF RECREATION
RIDGEFIELD PARK, NEW JERSEY
March 18, 2021**

President Diane Maglione called the meeting to order at 7:10 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, Hal Bomzer, Jimmy Coloma, Howie Jacobs. Excused: Gil Bell, Scott Garris, Mercedes Haines, Kaitlyn Maglione, Mike Ruiz.

The minutes of the February 18, 2021, meeting were approved on a motion made by Howie Jacobs and seconded by Gil Bell. All were in favor of the motion.

Correspondence:

- Email dated 3/8/21 from Tara O'Grady Re: Payment of Bills Deadlines
- Permit for use of tennis courts at Fellowship Park 4/23 – 6/26 2-5pm
- Permit for use of basketball courts at Veteran's Park 3/16 –6/16 by T2S Basketball
- Permit for use of basketball courts at Veteran's Park 6/28 -8/6 by T2S Basketball
- Email dated 3/10/21 from Francine Orovitz Re: Protecting Children From Abuse & Building a Safe Workplace
- Email dated 3/12/21 from Commissioner Olson Re: NASP BAI training 4/3/21
- Letter dated 3/15/21 from John Park of NJ Korean Tennis Association Re: Donation of windscreen for tennis courts at Fellowship Park – letter forwarded to Commissioner Olson
- Email dated 3/16/21 from Brianne Heaney Re: Easter Egg Hunt

Hearing of Citizens – None present.

Bowling – No activity at this time.

Women's Softball – Peggy Schneider agreed to run the program again this year. Packets went out to the teams and are due by May 1. No field permit fee will be collected at this time.

4th of July – No activity at this time. Mercedes is still waiting for a meeting to take place. No nominations for grand marshal have been received yet.

Holiday Display Contest – No activity at this time.

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 – No activity at this time but Rec will be speaking with the Commissioner about future programs it would like to see added.

Basketball – Last month a change was discussed and for clarification purposes, the \$25 payment to the site manager will be \$25 per game.

Saturday Night Hoops – Until the school is available for use, no plans can begin for this program.

Girls' 5/6 Travel Basketball Team – The girls are making plans to play in the spring if the covid situation improves. They will be holding tryouts at Veteran's Park for 5/6/7 grade girls shortly.

Tennis – Permits for use of Fellowship Park tennis courts are in. Spring clinic will be held on Saturdays 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.: April 10, 17, 24, May 1, 8. Session 2 will follow when Session 1 completes. Fee is \$80.00.

T2S Basketball – The program is continuing under Larry Umana and Nate Lopez. Permits are in for their use of

Veteran's Park. Summer Clinic will run from June 28 – August 6 (9AM – 1PM). Cost is \$175 week, \$150 for multiple weeks.

Easter Egg Hunt – The Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Saturday, April 3. All eggs have been distributed to members so they can be filled. Howie Jacob said his wife didn't mind taking the last 1,000 eggs to fill. Jimmy Coloma will be away the day of the Easter Egg Hunt and will give his eggs to Howie to bring down to the park. Letters went out to all concerned. Diane spoke to the Easter Bunny who is happy to assist. The Ambulance Corps contacted her and they will also assist. Members should bring their filled eggs to the field by 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 3. This year names will not be taken of winners to avoid groups. Once the winning egg is presented, the child will get their chocolate bunny and can leave. The flyer advised people to wear a mask and social distance. There was a parent that had a question about if registration was needed and allergies. She advised that her son had a nut allergy so Diane will make sure there are 50 nut-free eggs available for to trade in eggs.

Archery Clinic: The program has been very popular and running well. Gil Bell will be taking NASP training on Saturday, April 3. This NASP BAI Training is a HYBRID course containing two parts - an online course and an in-person field day.

Treasurer's Report - The starting balance was \$18,806.27 with deposit of \$1.24 in interest and an expense of \$159.83 for Zoom leaving an ending balance as of February 28, 2021, of \$18,647.68. The Board has laid out money for the Easter Egg Hunt that will be reimbursed by the town. A motion was made by Jimmy Coloma and seconded by Hal Bomzer to accept the Treasurer's Report. All were in favor of the motion.

Old Business:

Commissioner Olson will be scheduling a meeting with the other sports organizations in town. He wants to learn how many participants are from RP and what funding is already available to these organizations so he can come up with a figure that is fair for everyone.

The Board will contact Sue Chak and see if she would like to bring ping pong back now that the Civic Center is available to use.

New Business:

The Board needs more members and needs to look for someone with younger children involved in programs, especially the basketball program, which is the largest and biggest undertaking for the Board. Members should think about suggestions and invite anyone that might be interested to attend the next meeting to see what is expected of members.

A per an email from Ezio Altamura, the Village insurance carrier, all employees are required to view two 15 minutes videos. This includes support staff, police officers, volunteers and coaches. They should view the video prior to June 1st and submit an attendance sheet to the Board so it may be submitted to Francine Orovitz of the Safety Office. Instructions on how to view the videos are listed in the attachments. They can be viewed as a group during a meeting or individually. A copy of the email with the links was sent to all Board members and will be sent to all coaches as well.

All Board members and coaches need to view the videos. On March 12, the Board wrote to Matt McArrow to see if paid instructors also need to view the videos but it has not received a reply yet.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 15, 2021. Members will be notified if the meeting is to be held in-person or via Zoom.

This link will be used for the monthly meeting when it is held via Zoom:

Join Zoom Meeting: [https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71636345842?](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71636345842?pwd=RDZEVE9LaXFxeWoxbmJJSjGdQVdhWZz09)

pwd=RDZEVE9LaXFxeWoxbmJJSjGdQVdhWZz09 Meeting ID: 716 3634 5842 Passcode: Y4rtpt

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. on a motion made by Hal Bomzer and seconded by Howie Jacob. All were in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

cc: Commissioner Olson

Barbara DeLuca