

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, MAY 20, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.

**BOARD OF RECREATION
RIDGEFIELD PARK, NEW JERSEY
April 15, 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, Gil Bell, Hal Bomzer, Howie Jacobs. Excused: Jimmy Coloma, Scott Garis, Mercedes Haines, Kaitlyn Maglione, Mike Ruiz.

The minutes of the March 18, 2021, meeting were approved on a motion made by Howie Jacobs and seconded by Hal Bomzer. All were in favor of the motion.

Correspondence:

- Permit for egg hunt
- Permit for girl's travel basketball – M/W 4/5 – 11/30 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. @ Veteran's Park
- Email dated 3/29/21 from John Park Re: windscreen
- Email dated 3/19/21 from Matt McArow Re: MSI Protecting Children From Abuse & Building a Safe Work Place
 - Paid instructors do not have to view video but it is a good idea if they do
 - Also requested copies of insurance certificates from paid instructors naming Village as additional insured
- Email dated 3/29/21 from Chelsea Nagurka of RPVAC advising they will have 11 members to help at the Easter Egg Hunt
- Email dated 3/29/21 from All Pro tennis Re: Copy of Certificate of Insurance
- Copy of Civic Center Approval Form dated 3/21/21 for meeting nights 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
- Email dated 4/6/21 from Kyle Long
- Email dated 4/13/21 from Environmental Commission Re: Invitation to Participate in Earth Day 5/1/21 10am-5pm
- Email dated 4/14/21 from Eric Marto Re: Roller Rink in RP – he was invited to attend tonight's meeting or send in written proposal on his thoughts.

Bowling – No activity at this time.

Women's Softball – Peggy Schneider will be running the program. Packets are due by May 1. Season starts April 26.

4th of July – One nomination for Grand Marshal was received so far, Gerard Garofalow. Meetings have been in person. No word on how parade will look yet. There will be fireworks according to Rotary Club, who is paying for them. Mercedes is not sure how that will look and about security. First in-person meeting was in March. Details are not finalized yet; the Commissioners to make final decisions.

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

Wish Tree – No activity at this time.

Tree Lighting – No activity at this time.

Holiday Display Contest – 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. He would like to see trips started once more things are opened.

Basketball – Plans are to proceed with the program in the fall when, hopefully, things are opened up.

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

Girls' 5/6 Travel Basketball Team – They held a tryout on April 5 for 5/6/7 grade girls in Veteran's Park. They formed an U12 team with 4/5/6 grades. She has a parent helping coach. They will collect \$100 fee because they need uniforms and will play in some tournaments. Coach Lax may want to do clinics with the girls that did not make the team to keep the skills getting better.

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. Larry and Nate have been discussing possible plans for the summer but have no finalized anything yet. Larry said he would contact Hal Bomzer for some input.

Easter Egg Hunt – Things went well and all that participated seemed very happy. There were plenty of eggs for everyone since the crowd was a little lighter. The RPVAC helped out and things went smoothly. Expenses for the hunt, which are reimbursed by the town, are:

5,000 Plastic Eggs	\$375.00
Candy:	
3/8/21 BJ's Wholesale	341.38
3/9/21 Costco	257.76
3/10/21 BJ's Wholesale	176.86
3/30/21 7-11 Prize Gift cards	75.00
3/30/21 7-11 Prize Gift cards	15.00
3/30/21 CVS Prizes 5/6 Division	25.53
TOTAL REIMBURSEMENT DUE	\$1,266.53

Archery Clinic: There are now seven certified instructors. There was a meeting on April 14 to discuss the program. On Saturday mornings, the group will concentrate most on NASP sessions. For the more dedicated participants, they might take some to Campgaw range for one of the Bergen Bowmen's 3D archery shoots this year. The high school will probably take a gym class to the archery range. They will be recruiting girl and boy scouts.

A discussion was held on charging for the sessions to cover the cost of equipment. There will be no charge for the spring session. Participants will receive a practice string bow which they are required to bring to each session. If they don't, they'll need to replace it at a cost of \$2.50. The next session will include a fee to participate plus extra if the participant wants a shirt.

Treasurer's Report - The starting balance was \$18,647.68 with deposit of \$.85 in interest, expenses in the amount of \$1,304.03, leaving an ending balance as of March 31, 2021, of \$17,344.50. A motion was made by Gil Bell and seconded by Hal Bomzer to accept the Treasurer's Report. All were in favor of the motion.

Old Business:

Commissioner Olson wants the Board of Rec to schedule a meeting with all the town sports' heads so he can 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 emailed Sue Chak, but did not get a response, to see if she would like to bring ping pong back now that the Civic Center is available to use.

Members need to view the two 15-minute videos by June 1st per the Village insurance carrier. Please send copies of the certificate that you viewed the videos to the secretary. The email was resent to members to make sure they had the link.

New Business:

A suggestion was made to the Board of Rec about the possibility of running softball again. The Board of Rec will have to wait until it gets further information on this suggestion.

Earth Day 2021 – Scheduled for Saturday, 5/1/21 from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at Riverfront Park behind the DPW. The Environmental Commission invited Rec to show off the new archery program and any other info it would like to distribute. Commissioner Olson thinks there should be info on all Rec activities. Members are needed to cover a table for the day.

Melinda Lugo will be recommended to Commissioner Olson to be appointed as a regular member. Melina Pope and Bella Wagner were also asked if they were interested in joining the Board of Rec.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 20, 2021.

This link will be used for the monthly meeting when it is held via Zoom: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71636345842?pwd=RDZEVE9LaXFxWoxbmXJSgQVdhWZz09> Meeting ID: 716 3634 5842 Passcode: Y4rtpt

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. on a motion made by Howie Jacob and seconded by Gil Bell. All were in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara DeLuca

cc: Commissioner Olson

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