Bernardsville Recreation Committee February 13th, 2018 Minutes

The regular meeting of the Bernardsville Recreation Committee was held on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at Borough Hall, Bernardsville, NJ. Robert Steinkopf called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

In attendance was: Patty DeLeo, Al Schaufler, Doug Smoot, Robert Steinkopf, Andrew Taylor, Peg Trinter Councilman Jeff DeLeo, and staff members Cheryl Ferrante and Neil Mastrobuono

Absent was: William DeMilt, Ted Dolan and Louis Romano,

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Minutes were approved by Peg Trinter, seconded by Doug Smoot

OPEN SESSION:

Greg deGrandpre- Little League Melissa Provos- Little League

Greg and Melissa asked if Little League can put batting cages up at Claremont. They will meet with Recreation to see where they would possibly fit. They asked if sponsor signs can be at Claremont. Also they wanted to know the process of naming a field after someone.

QUESTIONS FOR THE RECREATION DIRECTOR/CORRESPONDENCE:

Cheryl Ferrante reported on the director's report about the turf field, equipment, schedules, afterschool enrichment, and the pool. Generic turf field signs which were supplied from field turf have been placed on the field until the Borough's signs come in. Cheryl is working with the vendor to get the backline netting installed at the turf field. Lacrosse goals have been ordered for the turf field. Spring sports organizations have put in their field requests and a schedule is being created. Cheryl is working with a vendor on installation of bollards for the Polo Grounds driveway. Recreation is currently waiting for the field fees and rules and regulations to be approved by the county. After school enrichment began in mid-January. American Red Cross Babysitting and Robotics is being held at the Middle School and Robotics is also being held at Bedwell. The summer camp catalog is being put together. The first day to register for programs is April 7th. Intergenerational Pizza Bingo will be held on March 14th. The 5th grade girls and 7th grade boys team will be joining the event to interact and help the seniors. Pool registration is available on Community Pass and the brochures were mailed out. Pool employees from the 2017 season are being contacted for employment.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Andrew Taylor reported on the financial report that Recreation is down from the 2017 season due to having an early registration fee for recreation basketball and also only charging for the transportation for the ski trip. After participants signed up for the ski trip they were emailed a code to sign up directly with Camelback or Shawnee to purchase their lift tickets.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

Bicycles on the Field- Parents and teachers want to start a mountain bike program on fields. This program will not be allowed to run on the fields.

Field Signage- Al Schaufler is going to write up the rules and regulations that will be placed on the signs.

Batting Cages- Recreation will meet with Greg deGrandpe and Melissa Provos to see where batting cages could possibly fit at Claremont.

Turf Field Opening Day- March 24th was planned to be the opening ceremony for the turf fields. This date needs to be checked with Council.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

The NJ state bathing code has been revised. Fees for the water to be tested has doubled. If money is going to be invested in repairing Claremont Field House, the money should be used towards at new field house at the Polo Grounds.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned by Robert Steinkopf at 8:15pm.