

Bernardsville Recreation Committee
March 13th, 2018 Minutes

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

ROLL CALL:

In attendance was: William DeMilt, Ted Dolan, Louis Romano, Al Schaufler, Doug Smoot, Robert Steinkopf, Andrew Taylor and staff members Cheryl Ferrante and Neil Mastrobuono

Absent was: Patty DeLeo, Peg Trinter and Councilman Jeff DeLeo

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Minutes were approved by Doug Smoot, seconded by Al Schaufler

OPEN SESSION:

QUESTIONS FOR THE RECREATION DIRECTOR/CORRESPONDENCE:

Cheryl Ferrante reported on the director's report about recreation programs, facilities, and the pool. The summer camp catalog has been sent to the print shop. The first day to register for the summer camp programs is Saturday, April 7th. Intergenerational Senior Pizza Bingo will be held on March 14th at the County Senior Wellness Center in Basking Ridge. Some players from the 5th grade girls and 7th grade boys travel basketball program will be attending to interact with the seniors and help serve pizza and dessert. Family Day for the Recreation Basketball program will be held on Saturday, March 17th. Family Day has been rescheduled twice due to the storms. Installation for the backline netting at the turf field has been delayed due to the weather. The spring sports organizations have sent in their field requests for the turf field. Currently the only requests that have been received are from the high school, boy's lacrosse, girl's lacrosse and little league. Sports equipment has been ordered for the turf field which came out of open space. Pool brochures have been mailed out and registration is available on Community Pass. Welcome back letters are being sent out to pool and summer camp employees. The storm caused trees to come down at the pool but there does not seem to be any damage.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Andrew Taylor reported on the financial report that the pool is up and expenses are down from the 2017 season. Pool and Recreation salaries are also down from 2017. O & E is down as a result of programs like the ski trips having the participants register directly with the mountain rather than registering with the rec and having the rec pay the mountain.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

- A. Turf Field Update- the rules and regulations did not pass through council due to the rules and regulations stating the Road Department will take care of snow removal. Field signs cannot be purchased until the rules and regulations are approved, but there are temporary signs up at the field. There has not been an update for the March 24th opening day, but the thought has been that it will take place sometime in June. The fees for the field will not take place until 2019. Ted Dolan mentioned sending letters to the organizations telling them that there will be a fee in 2019 for use of the turf field. John McDowell and Doug Walker are looking into options for lights at the turf field.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

NJ State Bathing Code Changes- a four foot fence needs to go around the baby pool, which is new to 2018. The fee to test the pool for bacteria has doubled. Cheryl and John McDowell are looking into the backwash water and where the water is going. This has to be done 60 days before the pool opens. Open Space is working on putting a walking path in town.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned by Robert Steinkopf at 7:50pm.