

Burlington Township Recreation Commission
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August 11, 2014
7:00pm

Chairman Anthony Pizzigoni called the monthly Recreation Commission Meeting to order noting the Open Public Meeting Act has been honored with notices sent to The Burlington County Times and The Camden Courier Post for this and all meetings scheduled for the Year 2014. A notice of meeting dates has been posted on the official bulletin boards in the Municipal Complex on Old York Road and the Recreation Building on Lake Avenue. A copy is also on file with the Township Clerk.

Commissioners present at start of meeting were Anthony Pizzigoni, Chris Sabatino, Jim Angelillo, and John DiDonato. Commissioner Tina Carpenter arrived at 7:05pm. Commissioners Lisa Clotter, Gene Camm, Matt Senni and Mickey Foltiny were not present.

Council Representative Mike Cantwell was in attendance, as was Recreation Director Stephen Fazekas.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence at this time.

After a review of the June 9, 2014 meeting minutes, a motion was made by Commissioner Sabatino to accept the minutes. Commissioner Angelillo seconded this motion. A unanimous supporting vote followed.

PUBLIC PORTION

Steve Macrae, President of the BTSC Foundation, advised the Commission the their next meeting was Monday August 18, 2014 from 7pm – 8pm at the Sylvan Lake meeting room. Steve advised the board of possible fund raising to be done during the fall months. Commissioner DiDonato and Pizzigoni spoke briefly about their fund raising events.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner DiDonato stated the field hockey camp was very successful with 30 participants. Commissioner DiDonato stated that there is a waiting list for all field hockey teams.

Commissioner DiDonato stated there were not enough enrollments for 1st and 2nd graders to have teams. He may possibly have a clinic for 1st graders during the fall.

Commissioner Carpenter reported the track season is finished and 16 athletes participated at the AAU Championship in Florida. Commissioner Carpenter stated 1 athlete qualified for the Junior Olympics in Iowa. Commissioner Carpenter stated cheerleading season has started and the high school cheerleaders are hosting a clinic for recreation cheerleaders this week.

Commissioner Sabatino stated there will be a hockey meeting at the end of August to prepare for the upcoming season.

Commissioner Angelillo stated the travel season is complete. Several teams finished as champions or runner up in the tournaments. Commissioner Angelillo stated there were two (2) Home Run Derby Champions this year, Isaiah Pae 12U division and Brett Angelillo 10U division. Commissioner Angelillo stated he received an overwhelming amount of compliments by visiting teams regarding our facilities. Commissioner Angelillo thanked the recreation department for keeping the fields in great shape. Commissioner Angelillo stated Fall Baseball registration is scheduled to be complete 8/15/14. Commissioner Angelillo stated there are approximately 125 players for fall baseball 8U – 15U teams. Commissioner Angelillo stated he wanted to thank Barb Dooley for the continuous communication with BTB with registrations and securing an indoor facility for upcoming winter. Indoor practices begin November, 2014 with 2-3 teams practicing per night in the high school back gym.

Commissioner Senni was not present. His report was read by Chairman Pizzigoni.

The South Jersey Travel teams officially begin practice on 8/11/14. These teams will be utilizing fields #2 and #6. The schedule was forwarded to the Recreation Department. Soccer teams may need to use field #3 and/or field #6 on Friday evenings for scrimmages or make up games. The official season for the SJ teams begins the weekend of September 6th. League games will be played at Green Acres 4 (Pinewald).

The following teams will be participating during the Fall 2014 season:

U09 Boys-Cobras; U10 Boys-Blast; U11 Boys-Fury; U12 Boys-Charge; U14 Boys-Warriors
U12 Girls-Banshees; U12 Girls-Lightning; U13 Girls-Bolts; U13 Girls-Barracudas; U14 Girls-Strikers. The Friendship Travel rosters are being finalized and the teams will be added to the practice schedule. Commissioner Senni thanked Barb and the recreation staff for all their help.

Commissioner Foltiny was not present. His report was read by Chairman Pizzigoni.

The Non-Travel Soccer is projected to start the third week of September. Participation is low and Commissioner Foltiny is still searching for coaches. The pre-k clinic will most likely start the last week of September or the first week of October. Sports Authority soccer/field hockey days were 8/2/14 & 8/3/14. Commissioner Foltiny wanted to thank Burlington Chevrolet for their continue sponsorship and support of the soccer programs. Picture days will be 10/4/14 for football and 10/18/14 for soccer. Commissioner Foltiny thanked Susha Bhuta for handling the volleyball program. There are currently only 7 registrations. If we do not receive more participants, the program will be cancelled for this year.

Commissioner Pizzigoni stated there was no report for wrestling or tennis. Commissioner Pizzigoni stated football registration were low, approximately 160 participants. Commissioner Pizzigoni stated that there is a fund raising breakfast at Timeless Elegance on Saturday 8/16/14 from 8am to 10am. Commissioner Pizzigoni stated Burlington Township will be hosting the

league weigh-ins September 5th and 6th at Fountain Woods School. The Pep Rally is scheduled for Friday, September 12, 2014 from 6pm-9pm and our first home game is Saturday 9/13/14 against Pemberton.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Recreation Director Stephen Fazekas advised the Recreation Commission of the following:

- Dianne Cook-Flannery will be the new Recreation Director effective 9/2/14. Until Dianne begins, Director Fazekas and Administrator Corter will be overseeing the recreation department.
- A discussion regarding the Rider account will be postponed until the September meeting.
- This will be Marion Burr's last season working at Sylvan Lake. The director has interviewed a possible replacement.
- The township is working on a new web site. There was a discussion regarding on-line registrations. The director presented Chairman Pizzigoni information and a quote from a company he met with regarding on-line registrations.
- The Skimmer parking lot repaving and expansion project may be done in October. The director will notify the hockey and baseball commissioners if any scheduling changes need to be made.
- The tennis court project behind the municipal building will be completed by this Friday 8/15/14
- Please update the Winter registration forms and return no later than August 20, 2014.
- The steps at the recreation office are finished. The railings are scheduled to be installed this week.

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

Council Representative Mike Cantwell stated Friendly's will be coming down soon and a McDonald's will be replacing it. Plans were submitted to the Planning Board. Councilman Cantwell provided an update on the Shop Rite and Burlington Center projects.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Sabatino asked when the Burlington County Freeholder grant may be awarded. Director Fazekas advised him the grant awards are usually announced near the end of the year.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Sabatino asked about CPR/AED training for the coaches and purchasing more AED's. After a discussion, Chairman Pizzigoni appointed a committee to develop an emergency plan for all sports involving the storage and use of the AED's. Commissioner Angelillo, Commissioner Sabatino and Commissioner Pizzigoni will be on the committee with participation from Director Fazekas. Director Fazekas will contact the school district about their AED policy.

Chairman Pizzigoni suggested that the commissioners develop a 5 – 10 year plan for building a new recreation facility. The new facility should include multi-purpose fields, storage of

equipment, etc. A brief discussion followed. Chairman Pizzigoni will discuss with the new Recreation Director.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Commission was informed that \$5,578.00 was turned over to the Township Treasurer during the month of June and \$27,501.80 during the month of July.

Commissioner Sabatino then made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Comm. Angelillo. A unanimous supporting vote followed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.

Meeting minutes recorded and submitted by:



Stephen Fazekas

cc: Mayor and Council
Administrator
Clerk's Office