

*Burlington Township Recreation Commission*  
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December 8, 2014  
19:00

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 Mickey Foltiny, Anthony Pizzigoni, Matt Senni, Jim Angelillo, and John DiDonato. Commissioners Gene Camm and Tina Carpenter entered late. Commissioners Lisa Clotter and Chris Sabatino were not present.

In Council Representative Mike Cantwell's absence, Councilman Carl Schoenborn attended. Recreation Director Diane Flannery was also in attendance.

## CORRESPONDENCE

At this time, there was no correspondence.

After a review of the November 10, 2014 meeting minutes, a motion was made by Commissioner Foltiny to accept the minutes. Commissioner DiDonato seconded this motion. A unanimous supporting vote followed.

## PUBLIC PORTION

**Lawrence Ramiscal**, owner of Fitness Integrated Therapy (F.I.T) and an assistant Dan, who is the strength and conditioning coach, informed the Commission of F.I.T.'s 2015 pre-season strength and conditioning camps for different sports. The camps are 6 week programs for Grades 8-12. Also, in Spring 2015, F.I.T. will be offering a free 2-3 hour concussion seminar for all coaches. More information will be forthcoming pertaining to this.

The Commission inquired if the camps could be geared for children younger than 8<sup>th</sup> grade, as that is the majority of Recreation's participants. Mr. Ramiscal indicated the programs could be tweaked for the younger ages.

**Steve Macrae** – President of the Burlington Twp. Sports Club Foundation informed the Commission that, as of the end of October, their financial balance was \$59,000. Current fundraisers are selling 76'er tickets and selling slides, which is like a sandal. The Foundation currently has web sponsors consisting of: Farmer's Insurance, F.I.T., and Sports Authority. The next group meeting will be Dec. 15 at 7 pm in the Lake Building meeting room. This meeting will be to vote on new officers. The possible officers for 2015 are Steve Macrae, Matt Kowalski, Kris Smith, Matt Farr, and Carl Budden.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Commissioner Angelillo** advised winter baseball instruction started and all on the wait list have been contacted to participate. Comm. Angelillo inquired as to what Recreation can do, safety-wise, during evening activities when the school has issues with students and shouldn't Recreation be notified. Comm. Angelillo was informed that if the issue is with students, the Board does not necessarily have to inform the Recreation Dept. Dir. Flannery indicated she would contact the schools to discuss.

**Commissioner Carpenter** reported the indoor track program starts Tuesday, Dec. 9. There will be a total of five meets plus the final at Harvard. Regarding cheerleading, the 65# and 80# squads finished their seasons with wins at their last competition. The 95-110-125# squad also won their last competition. Both the 95-110-125# squad and the Unlimiteds have received bids to Nationals from Feb. 4-10, 2015 in Florida.

**Commissioner Senni** advised there will probably be three high school age boys travel soccer teams for Spring, 2015.

**Commissioner DiDonato** had no report regarding field hockey at this time.

**Commissioner Foltiny** gave condolences to Fuzzy Fazekas on the loss of his mother and wished Councilman Cantwell a speedy recovery. Comm. Foltiny congratulated Kevin Klinger, coach of the U10 Blast travel soccer team, for being voted in by his peers in his division for the sportsmanship award. Regarding non-travel soccer, the Fall season ended the weekend of Nov. 15. Referee vouchers were submitted and referees will be paid shortly. Thank you to all the coaches for their help. Regarding indoor soccer, the 10-week season will begin Saturday, 12/13 at Bernice Young school. There will be three divisions. Rosters were finalized and sent to coaches for the Senior division (1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> grades) and Major division (3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades). There are four teams in each. The Junior division (pre-k/kindergarten) should be resolved shortly. Finding coaches has been a recurring theme. There will either be 4 or 6 teams. If 4, team placement will go by registration dates. The program will issue tee shirts, compliments of Burlington Chevrolet and the Burl. Twp. Sports Club Foundation. Referees have been established. The youth volleyball season has concluded. Comm. Foltiny will meet with the coordinator to discuss the future and see what direction he would like to take. The Commissioner thanked the Director for helping to coordinate AED training. Happy Holidays to all Board members, Governing Body, and their families.

**Commissioner Camm** indicated travel basketball is underway. In the non-travel program, there will be 6 teams in the boys Major division, 4 teams in the boys Minor, and 4 teams in the Girls. Evaluations for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys will be held Monday, Dec. 15 at Young School at 6:30 pm. Teams will be drafted afterward with practices starting Tuesday, Dec. 16.

In **Commissioner Sabatino's** absence, Chairman Pizzigoni indicated Comm. Sabatino wished everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year and congratulations to the coaches and players for winning their football championship game. Regarding street hockey, the season has started. There are 3 divisions with 4 teams in each. To date, all have been taken off the wait list. The clinic has started and is going well. The street hockey season should end March 14, pending any weather issues. Comm. Sabatino thanked all the coaches for dedicating their time and the Recreation Dept. for all their help.

**Chairman Pizzigoni** congratulated the entire program for another successful football season. Thanks to Gene Camm for all his help. Thanks to all the players, parents, and coaches for their dedication. Congratulations to the 80# JV team coached by Lamine N'Diaye and Jr. High team coached by Gene Camm for winning their championship games. Thanks to Comm. Sabatino for attending the championship games. Regarding wrestling, registrations are ongoing and numbers are up considerably which is a tribute to Coaches Ed Cook and Kevin Arline for all their hard work. Practices have begun and home meets will be on Sundays, Jan. 18 and Feb. 8. They are also in the process of scheduling a Falcon Frenzy night at a high school match, whereby, Recreation's players are announced. Regarding tennis, Chairman Pizzigoni is in the process of looking for a head coach. If anyone has any suggestions, please advise; otherwise, he may have to place an ad.

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Recreation Director Diane Flannery advised the arrangements for former Recreation Director Fazekas' mother are a viewing Friday, Dec. 12 and mass on Saturday, Dec. 13. The Department will take care of sending flowers.

## **COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT**

In Council Representative Mike Cantwell's absence, Councilman Carl Schoenborn reported that Mike is doing well after his surgery and hopes to be back for the January meeting. After the holidays, the Mayor will present certificates to the championship football teams. In news around town, Shop-Rite should be opening in May or June. Councilman Schoenborn then wished all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy 2015.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Comm. Camm inquired if there was any news regarding the old Sports Club.

Chairman Pizzigoni replied that Mayor Carlin's emails and phone calls have gone unanswered.

Chairman Pizzigoni advised a rough draft of the new Policy and Procedures manual and by-laws would be shared shortly.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business at this time.

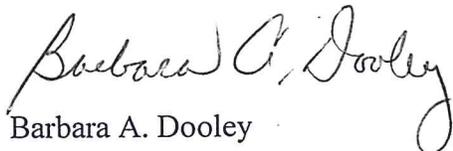
## FINANCIAL REPORT

The Commission was informed that \$7,573.00 was turned over to the Township Treasurer during the month of October 2014.

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

Meeting adjourned at 19:39.

Meeting minutes recorded and submitted by:

  
Barbara A. Dooley

cc: Mayor and Council  
Administrator  
Clerk's Office