

BOROUGH OF GLEN ROCK
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION



Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

Tuesday December 15th, 2020

8pm

Attendance: : Mark Sabow, Matt Deely, Jon Hendl, Pete Isoldi, Anne Camp, Aaron Stotebury, Rob Goldberg, Sinead Rundell, Scott Meltzer, Andy Gibbs, Chris O'Reilly, Rob Dill, Mary Barchetto

Motion by Anne Camp to approve the minutes

Second by Matt Deely

Minutes approved

Council Update:

Mary announced the borough will be receiving a \$12,000 grant from the county towards Senior Programming. More grant opportunities such as the Community Block grant will be pursued to further build the program at the Annex.

Mary stated with budget meetings approaching, a strong showing from RAB is encouraged as the borough will have to be careful due to revenue loss in 2020.

Security Cameras

Mary stated she spoke with Chief Ackerman regarding security cameras for Wilde Memorial Park stemming from recent acts of vandalism to the restrooms. The cameras are on the agenda for 2021 budget according to the Chief and will be discussed during budget meetings.

Chris stated he spoke with Chief as well and added the security camera project would add cameras to the pool and Faber Field/Recycling Center as well as Wilde Memorial. The cameras would feed to central dispatch and help with any follow up investigations.

Wilde Memorial Park Renovations:

Chris reports work has come to an end for the year due to the cold weather as any paving done at these temperatures would be at risk of having to be redone in the Spring. The existing concrete left from original courts will only act as a base and two inches of stone dust will be applied before paving over new courts. This will create a "floating surface" which helps prevent future cracking and is the same process done on the first three courts.

Anne asked about potential issues regarding cracked surface near the entrance gate and basketball courts. Chris will speak with engineer and report next meeting.

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DPW Director:

Rob reports the borough has hired Bob Buono, formerly assistant superintendent of buildings and grounds in Ramsey. Bob is very passionate and knowledgeable and has a strong background working with athletic fields.

Sports Reports:

Pickleball: Anne reports no pickleball recently due to the cold weather but will begin again when the weather turns.

Football- No report, wrapped up a successful season in November.

Glen Rock Soccer Club- Aaron reports board elections have taken place. Season has ended and all went well.

Baseball- Rob reports planning is taking place for Spring and will be going ahead as usual as of now.

Lacrosse - Matt reports ready to open registration January 3rd. Planning for a typical season but if COVID-19 numbers continue to climb they may follow football's model and play only a rec season in house. Field access will depend on High School sports.

Wrestling/Men's Softball- Scott reports no update on Men's Softball as of now. Wrestling cannot start until March due to Return to Play policy. The program is set to run in March and April if all is well but will discuss more in the coming weeks. The program did get approval to use new wrestling room at the High School.

Shooting Stars- Andy reports season ended in November with their 2008 Red team winning flight. Possibility of a winter league which will take place all on one 7 v 7 field in Nutley. Spring planning moving along including a pre-travel academy and typical winter indoor K-1 to be moved to Spring.

Director's Report:

Chris reports a few more volunteers are needed for the upcoming snowstorm for the Shovel 4 Seniors program. The Winter holiday home decorating contest registration ends December 18th, judging by borough mayor and council and winners receive \$50 gift card to local business of their choice and lawn sign. Tennis court usage for Spring planning continues with possible online time slot reservation from 7:00am- 2:00pm. Concerns being lack of monitor and residents not receiving email confirmation.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Scheduled Meeting

Tuesday, January 19th, 2021 at 8:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Chris O'Reilly

Director of Parks & Recreation, Borough of Glen Rock