# BOROUGH OF GLEN ROCK DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION



Glen Rock Recreation Advisory Board (RAB) February 15, 2022 8:00 pm via Zoom

#### **Attendance:**

Anne Camp	Y	Scott Meltzer	Y	Rob Dill (Council)	Y
Matt Deely	N	Mark Sabow	Y	Amy Martin (Council)	N
Andy Gibs	N	Keith Stewart	N	Sharon Scarpelli (BOE)	Y
Rob Goldberg	Y	Robyn O'Hagen	N	Bob Buono DPW	Y
Jon Hendl	Y	Patrick Doyle	N	Jon Cole (Council)	Y
Linda Brennan	N	Eric Bober	Y	Donna Feigenbaum (SCA)	N
Steve Yetter	Y	Jim Leonard	Y	Debbie Holman	Y
Ryan McNair	Y	Jeff Schaefer	Y		

## Meeting is called to order by the Chairperson, Mark Sabow, at 8:00 pm.

- 1. Motion to accept the minutes of January 18, 2022:
  - 1. Changes/Additions to minutes: None
  - 2. Moved by: Ryan McNair Second: Rob Goldberg

## **Unfinished Business:**

- 1. What is the pathway forward to install permanent lighting at the Faber Field complex?
  - 1. The thought was to use the \$65,000 from Game On Glen Rock to fund the lights.
- 2. What new signage must be voted on by Council and then posted for usage of the complex?
- 3. What type of badge system should be in place regarding the use of the tennis/pickleball courts? Should it be limited to GR residents?
- 4. What should we recommend to do with the roller rink as the cost to repair runs around \$500,000? Where will the funds come from?

## **Recreational Organization Reports:**

Baseball/Little League: Rob Goldberg

- 1. We are in final preparations for the season. Teams and schedules are being finalized and we are in the process of ordering all equipment needed.
- 2. Our winter workouts for our travel teams are continuing; and, we will be starting a pitching clinic for the boys travel teams as well as our Challenge U training for the softball players, both which start in March, 2022.
- 3. We are also planning for opening day and hopefully the return of our annual parade.

Basketball (Youth): Ryan McNair

- 1. Nice to see families in the gym watching the kids. It has been a smooth transition back with fans; and, everyone is complying with the mask rules
- 2. Head of Custodians, Cathy Alleyne (Promotion to Fair Lawn) is leaving and is being replaced by Dan Brennan. She was always so helpful for our organization.
- 3. Recreation season is winding down with playoffs beginning in a few weeks and all of GRBB wrapping up by 3/19/22.
- 4. Travel basketball playoffs beginning 3/13/22; and, travel season concluding the following week.

Basketball (Men's): Keith Stewart

1. No report

Dog Park: Linda Brennan & Robyn O'Hagen

1. No report

GR Soccer Club: Eric Bober

- 1. Training sessions are on going, athletes are playing games with other communities.
- 2. Spring registration is going well, numbers are about what they were last year.
- 3. The adult soccer league has 6 teams registered for the spring season. Registration is still open.

Jr. Football: Pete Isoldi & Jeff Schaefer

- 1. New jerseys have been purchased.
- 2. They are excited for the beginning of the fall season.

Lacrosse: Matt Deely/Debbie Holman

- 1. Registration is closed, the numbers are good for this season.
- 2. Registration for clinics is open.
- 3. Practices begin March 3, 2022 with games beginning March 26, 2022.
- 4. It was asked, "How will we know when Faber is open for use?" RAB will be the first to know.

Men's Softball: Scott Meltzer

- 1. The season starts the end March, 2022 and runs thru early August, 2022.
- 2. The schedule is being developed and will be finalized in next 2 weeks.
- 3. A 10th team has been added, replacing Chicos (the team who did not return). There are 15 new people.
- 4. There are 180 participants across 10 teams, A and B divisions, with 5 teams each.

Shooting Stars: Jon Hendl/Andy Gibs

- 1. Indoor K-1 program is halfway through the season. Great response from parents after we took a year off. Thank you to the basketball program for use of the scoreboard and for the BOE for its support.
- 2. A number of our teams are playing in winter tournaments and several have won those tournaments.
- 3. We are getting ready for the spring season and our first games are supposed to be the weekend of March 27, 2022.

## Wrestling: Scott Meltzer

- 1. The season is winding down, district tourney is this weekend followed by regionals next weekend.
- 2. There were 3 first place winners in a recent novice tournament, multiple wrestlers placed 3rd.
- 3. It was a great season for Jr wrestlers and middle school wrestlers.

# Members-at-Large: Anne Camp

- 1. There are 139 players registered on the Team Reach app to play at Memorial. Play is currently going on mornings/afternoons.
- 2. I would suggest purchasing/making a paddle holder that can be used for open play; this would cut down on wait time.

## **Liaison Reports:**

GR Council: Rob Dill, Jon Cole:

- 1. The turf field should be ready for use by the end of March, 2022; the grass field by the fall of 2022.
- 2. Lenora Benjamin and Carl O'Brien have stated that no portable lights maybe located on the turf field. Calls are being made to get cost for portable lights that are not fuel based.
- 3. Any capitol items must be sent in email format to Rob Dill, Jon Cole, Lenora Benjamin by the end of next week.
- 4. The search for a new Recreation Director is continuing; some resumes were not filled out to Council's specifications and have been eliminated. Once that process is completed; other Council members will review the applicant's qualifications. This process should be completed by the end of March, 2022.

GR BOE: Sharon Scarpelli

1. No report

DPW: Bob Buono:

1. DPW Director has sent information to all sports groups asking for what equipment will be needed at the Faber field complex.

- 2. Mayor/Council have yet to budget anything.
- 3. FB has requested a new blocking sled but it will not be allowed on the turf field. Because it could rip the synthetic grass.
- 4. BS is requesting two moveable pitching mounds (HS/Lower level). It has to be kept to a minimum due to lack of storage space and the weight of the HS mound.
- 5. All orders have to be in next week.

#### Friends of the Arboretum:

1. No report

Senior Citizen Advisory Committee: Donna Feigenbaum

1. No report

Jim Leonard: Scheduling

- 1. I have worked with Glen Rock Little League, Glen Rock Lacrosse, Glen Rock Shooting Stars and Glen Rock Soccer Club to allocate times for Borough and BOE Fields.
- 2. I have the blacked out dates and times from the HS and have been entered into the shared schedule.
- 3. We have allocated time on the new Lower Faber Turf field, pending completion of the project.
- 4. I am awaiting game dates/times from Lacrosse, Shooting Stars and GRSC. Once games are entered we will see what holes if any arise for make up games etc.
- 5. Be advised that GR will be hosting Relay for Life on the High School Stadium Field Saturday June 4th and 5th. No Games.
- 6. Federated HSA presidents will be reminded to enter field/facility use into School Dude so that there are no unexpected conflicts. Federated calendar is updated weekly.

## **Recreation Director Report:**

1. No Report

## Chairperson's Report: Mark Sabow

- 1. Two requests, from outside groups, have been made to use Memorial's pickleball courts.
  - 1. JCC of Northern NJ (Erica Danziger) wants to run pickleball instruction & babysitting programs for their members. They have not stated they would pay GR for the use of the courts which would be Sunday mornings. The request was denied as GR residents use the courts at that time; and, there is no benefit to GR.
  - 2. Fair Lawn for All Ages have requested the use the pickleball courts and provide instruction. They will be told they are welcome to use the courts during the Senior Citizen time frame (T & TH, 8:00-10:00 am).

- 3. Even though Wilde Memorial is a Green Acres site, GR has the jurisdiction to determine the times when outside groups may use the facilities. A request was made to look at the possibility of removing the Green Acres designation.
- 4. The Chairperson asked for a complete/comprehensive inventory of all sports sites/equipment. The Recreation Director would keep this information.
- 5. Please get your report into Anne Camp prior to the next meeting.

#### **New Business:**

- 1. Light poles at Faber field are expected to cost \$525,000. Consider a capitol reserve fund to offset the cost.
- 2. A pickleball rack and small garbage cans attached to the net poles have been requested. Send a link with information to Bob Buono.

Motion to Adjourn at 9:05 pm: Rob Goldberg Second: Sharon Scarpelli

Next Meeting Date: March 15, 2022 at 8:00 pm via Zoom.