BOROUGH OF GLEN ROCK DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION



Glen Rock Recreation Advisory Board (RAB) March 15, 2022 8:00 pm via Zoom/In-person

Attendance:

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

Meeting is called to order by the Chairperson, Mark Sabow

Motion to accept the minutes of:

Changes/Additions to minutes: None. Moved by: Eric Bober Second: Andy Gibs

Recreational Organization Reports:

Baseball: Rob Goldberg

- We are finalizing everything for the start of our season on April 2, 2022.
- We are happy to resume the opening day parade this year which will be on April 2nd and will take place around Hamilton School.
- Our travel baseball teams are set to begin the same weekend, as they are starting practices as well.
- We are looking forward to a great season.

Basketball (Youth): Ryan McNair

- The recreation clinic for the 2nd/3rd grade girls and 2nd grade boys has concluded.
- Recreation playoffs are in full swing with championship games being played on March 19, 2022.
- Regular season for travel concludes on March 13, 2022 with playoffs starting March 14, 2022.

- Of the 22 travel teams half of them will make the playoffs.
- Last day of season will be March 20, 2022.
- There will not be a spring league this year under the GRYBL.

Basketball (Men): Keith Stewart

• Season is moving along.

Dog Park: Linda Brennan & Robyn O'Hagen

- Our Annual "Become a Hero" registration is taking place. Membership provides the donor's name on our banner at the Park, opportunity to pre-register for events, invitation to member-only events.
- We will have our GRPD Heroes Spring Fling Celebration (Members only event) on Friday June 3rd at the Park.
- The "Rescue Puppy Coat and Sweater Drive" was a huge success. Over 100 coats were collected and delivered to Alabama dogs now living in our area.
- Our annual Pool Pawty Doggie Swim is scheduled for Tuesday September 20th.
- Bob Buono has been contacted to see if the trucks and vehicles being use for the field construction be moved to the front parking lot; they are taking up a lot of Dog Park parking spaces and, in general, cause a potential accident.*

* Bob Buono responded that this area is an active construction site; moving the construction vehicles to another parking lot would be financially costly to the Borough.

GR Soccer Club: Eric Bober/Jeff Schaefer

• Season opened March 15, 2022, adult league starts March 27, 2022.

Jr. Football: Jeff Schaefer/Steve Yetter

• Registration opened on March 1, 2022 with over 100 athletes (FB & Cheer) registered.

Lacrosse: Matt Deely

- LAX is bringing in trainers who are serving as EMTs on the sidelines.
- Is it possible to get a combination lock on the light box at Upper Faber?
- A plea was made to help the three sons of Howie Loren, who recently passed away. LAX will be making a contribution and has the contact information. The donations began through the Glen Rock Education Association.

- Ryan Casey Sean McDermott-Loren@custacct.
- CaseyRyanSean-Loren or...
- @CustAcctCaseyRyanSean-Loren

Men's Softball: Scott Meltzer

- Season kicks off on Sun., Mar 27, 2022, runs thru late July/early August.
- Likely host a scrimmage Sat Mar 19 or Sun Mar 20, will coordinate with Jim Leonard.
- 12 teams this season, 1 team left and 1 new added

Shooting Stars: Jon Hendl/Andy Gibs

• The spring season begins March 27, 2022 with 31 teams.

Wrestling: Scott Meltzer

- The season has concluded with these results:
- Boys States results: Sam Mazin 2nd, Shane Notkin 4th (both kids placed 1st at regionals).
- Girls States Results: Aura and Gray Henecker both took 5th place, and Victoria Lynch 8th place.

Members-at-Large: Anne Camp

• Asked if the pickleball racking system is being considered for open play at Memorial's 5 tennis/pickleball courts.

Liaison Reports:

GR Council: Rob Dill, Jon Cole, Amy Martin:

- The budget process is still underway. There is no definitive answer regarding lights at Faber Field. The proposed budget is too heavy and the Council is looking to make cuts.
- The new Recreation Director will start on April 5, 2022. He (John Fabrazzo) will be voted on by the Council on March 23, 2022.
- Faber Field lights may be 1 year out from being installed.
- A reservation system at the pickleball/tennis courts has been tabled until the new Recreation Director is in place. This would be a decision made by the Council.

- At this time, our Engineer is waiting on the GMAX results, once received, they will review and advise.
- The punch list has been created and will be worked on in a manner which is consistent with projects of this size.
- Our turf retailer is coordinating their schedule for training of our DPW.
- THEN discussions begin as to the release of the field (and likely a portion of the performance bond) back to the Borough.
- THEN the Borough will host a ribbon cutting BEFORE ANY PLAY begins on the fields.
- Again, this project is ahead of schedule, as we discussed during the RAB meeting. We will not rush these final stages of the project.

GR BOE: Sharon Scarpelli

• No report

DPW: Bob Buono:

- The spring sports field update: lights on Upper Faber have been repaired; the back Recycling Center parking lot has been coned off because it is an active construction site. It was reported by Andy Gib that 4 light poles are out at Fisher Field. The breakers may be off.
- The pool parking lot is closed as it is also an active construction site.
- We have added another "No Dogs" sign near the flag pole by Upper Faber due to unleashed dog activity on Upper Faber. It was asked when the third base-line fence will be put back which may prevent dog owners entering Fisher Field and letting their dogs run. The police may have to be involved.
- We will be powerwashing the backboards at the hockey rink at Memorial when weather permits.
- Quotes are needed for any additional equipment exclusively at Faber Field such as mounds, goals, bases. GRSS bought 16 wheels for soccer goals at \$2000.00. May they be reimbursed? BS received a quote for \$1200.00 for 3 bases, home plate and a pitching rubber.
- It was reported to DPW that there are water bottles lying on the ground at the basketball court and people practicing their golf swing at Memorial.

Friends of the Arboretum:

• No report

Scheduling: Jim Leonard

- I just spoke with the BOE. They are having a company treat the baseball, softball and soccer fields at Hamilton and Coleman School this Friday 3/18. All fields are closed until Monday 3/21.
- Please let your coaches know of this development.

- FYI. They wanted to spray next Friday but I got them to move since a few of the sports open next weekend.
- When Faber Field will be opened for use? Answer: (1) check list has been completed, (2) liability insurance has been transferred to the Borough, (3) the infield is done, (4) Carl has signed off of all the work.
- The grass field at Faber Field will not be available for use until 2023. Signs were placed at the site on March 15, 2022 indicating the fields are closed.

Senior Citizen Advisory Committee: Donna Feigenbaum

- Our Activities sub committee is planning an event each season for Glen Rock seniors.
- The first event in May or June will be a Meet and Greet at the Arboretum which will include light refreshments and a tour.

Recreation Director Report:

• No report

Chairperson's Report: Mark Sabow

- Requests a change to the RAB by-laws. Change the name of the presiding officer from "President" to "Chairperson". This would conform to most other Borough boards-naming protocols. All parts of ByLaws will be sited in the proposal.
- Regarding a reservation system for the tennis courts, will the Board of Education allow their courts to be included in the system for week-ends only?

Motion to Adjourn: Eric Bober Second: Matt Deely

Next Meeting Date: April 19 2022 at 8:00 pm in person.