

## March 6, 2018 Bound Brook Recreation Commission Meeting

The March 6, 2018 Bound Brook Recreation Commission Meeting at the Bound Brook Rec Center was called to order by Dom Longo with a reading of the Open Public Meetings Statement at 7:38

ROLL CALL: Nick DeVecchio	Present
Sara Feuker (Alt)	Absent
Rich Jannuzzi	Present
Dom Longo	Present
Bev Pranzatelli	Absent
Joan Ruberto (Alt)	Absent
Rena Shivers	Present
Domingo Silva	Absent
Doreen Todaro	Present
Dave Vioreanu	Present

Liaisons: Abel Gomez; Rob Dixon

Guest: Christine Bator

Approval of the minutes from the January 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Motion: Rena Second: Dave All in Favor: yes Abstain: Nick

Christine Bator wanted to know about fund raisers to fund baseball uniforms and suggested a spring clean up be raffeled off? We are going to discuss sponsoring. Raffels may need permits. Fund raising is not by team, but by sport. Can it be earmarked for a specific sport? Need to clarify. It should not be a problem. She is willing to help raise money to help defray cost of uniforms and equipment.

Director's Report:

Summer Camps: Maria Strada is waiting for grants to extend Middle Earth's hours and Dr. Gallagher I has spoken to the head coaches about setting up camps. We should try to pull the 3 groups together. Middle Earth offers trips.

Head coaches could run sports related camps from 8 – 11 every morning. In the afternoon the children could be transported to Middle Earth locations or robotics camps. It would include 8<sup>th</sup> grade down to kindergarten. More structured through the schools if they are running it through BOE. Different sport camps would be offered each week.

Anything else Rec can offer? The pool?

Online registrations went well. A total 386 registered. All fees were collected. 96% used credit cards.

Director's Report - continued

Two soccer coaches are needed. Only 4 high school boys signed up. They were advised there was not place for them this year. It is easier to set up teams. We have 12 teams in the new league.

Four younger teams will play in Bound Brook. And the clinic for k-2 also will be in town. Registration closes tonight.

Baseball registration is open until next Monday.

There was a coaches meeting on Sunday. There will be some shifting of players from age based to grade based teams.

A soccer meetings is set for next Tuesday. There will be 2 baseball meetings, March 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>.

There are 52 participants for baseball and 34 for softball.

Full count still wants to run clinics for baseball.

Equipment: Dicks will give equipment donations to start up teams.

Tea Street: walk through for clean up. We will probably need infield mix, leave pick up and new garbage cans. Full Count will meet with Doreen and Hector to see what is needed. The water to be turned on by the end of the week. Some of the bleachers need to be fixed. DPW handle the repairs

The portajohns need to be dropped off.

Codrington Park: We need playground mulch.

Pool: The filter project has not been completed. The filters are in but not hooked up yet. They will be turned on in May

Billian Park: The porta johns will be dropped next week.

Rock Machine: JV baseball will be playing at the Rock Machine. The port a johns will be dropped next week.

Committees:

Finance/policy: Rich presented financial report and gave information on grants we have received. The 2018 budget has not been approved.

Programs: There are 2 teams in the basketball tournament. The 7/8 boys and girls travel are still in the playoffs.

Wrestling mat quote: \$8500 They want to move program to the Community School. We will discuss at next meeting.

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Cheer coordinator for Middlesex would like to put together a program for Bound Brook K-3<sup>rd</sup> graders at a cost \$80.00/child for 8 weeks. Will it be run through BB rec? No. There brochure indicates it will be run in Middlesex. It would be a starter program to be run in later years by Bound Brook parents. We could pull together a program in Bound Brook after parents are trained.

Looking into tennis camp and handball programs

Easter egg hunt: March 24 from 1 to 3 with the egg hunt at 2:30.

Pool/Personnel: Letters to staff will be going out at the end of the month.

Old Business:

Fields at Codrington Park: The quotes came in higher than anticipated. Motion to fund \$65,000 needed for project: Rich Second: Nick All in favor: yes

Rock Machine: Abel meeting with people who build turf soccer fields. They are willing to put in turf and lights.

Heard back from DEP: Bacci Ball courts are now part of the Bound Brook parks.

Background checks – per Doreen, working on it. Reached out to BB Police Chief but has not heard back. We need to reach out to an outside firm to do the checks.

Progress on Community Garden? Pocket Park seems to be the best spot but getting water to site may be a problem.

New Business:

Come up with sponsorship procedures and ideas. Looking for direction we want to go.

Coaches training: Certification information available on line. A woman from Mountainside is certified.

Adjournment: Motion: Rena Second: Nick all in favor: yes

The meeting was adjourned at 9:36 P.M.