

WYCKOFF DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
February 11, 2019

Doug Arone opened the Recreation Board Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Recreation Office at 195 Woodland Avenue with the reading of the Open Public Meetings Act. “This Regular meeting of the Wyckoff Department of Parks and Recreation Board is now in session. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting has been posted on the bulletin board in the Memorial Town Hall and the Recreation Office; a copy has been filed with the Township Clerk, *The Ridgewood News*, *The Record*, and *The North Jersey Herald and News*, all papers with general circulation throughout the Township of Wyckoff.” At least 48 hours prior to this meeting the agenda was similarly posted, filed and mailed to said newspapers.

Members Present: Doug Arone, Heather Alnor, Rich Sica, Sue Buchanan, Chris Beane, Jeff Eischen

Members Absent: Hayley Rooney, Ann Smith, Tom Valente, Moe Ismael, Mike Ferrara

Staff Present: Recreation Director, Andy Wingfield, Township Committee Liaison to Recreation Board, Tim Shanley, and Township Attorney, Rob Landel

The minutes of the January 14, 2019 meeting were discussed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Chris Beane and seconded by Rich Sica. The motion was carried.

The Director welcomed a football parent to the meeting and introduced her to the Board. The parent reported her concern over a football matter previously discussed by the Board. Upon completion of the discussion, the Board thanked the parent for taking the time to come and speak with us and for her insight into this situation at which point she left the meeting.

Prior to discussing the above portion of the meeting, the Director gave his report on other Recreation matters.

Recreation Director Report:

Boys & Girls Lacrosse Coach Recommendations

The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed list of volunteers to coach boys and girls recreation lacrosse for grades 3 through 8. Jeff Eischen motioned to approve these coaches and Heather Alnor seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the list of coaches as presented.

Travel Baseball & Softball Head Coach Recommendations:

The Director presented a list of potential Head Coaches for both Travel Baseball and Travel Softball from the 9u level to the 14u level in baseball and the u10 level through the u14 level in softball. The Board reviewed the list of volunteer candidates and after a motion from Chris Beane and a second from Doug Arone, the Board unanimously approved the head coaches for the 2019 spring and summer seasons.

8u Travel Baseball Tryout Dates Set:

The Director advised the Board that the 2019 8u travel baseball tryout dates are set to take place on March 12th and 13th at NJ Sports House in Oakland with the same independent baseball training facility running the tryouts for us that we have utilized over the past several years. The dates have been communicated to the participants of which there are 40 children registered to try out which is significantly higher than the last couple of years.

Recreation Baseball & Softball Registration Complete

The Director advised that registration for Recreation Baseball and Softball are complete. Both Recreation Baseball and Softball are comparable to last year's numbers and all levels will have sufficient teams to play against, including those levels where we participate with adjoining towns like Franklin Lakes and Oakland. There may be a need to combine 3/4th graders for baseball as numbers in 3rd grade are a little low. The Director will see if we get enough late registrations to keep them separate. Our 7/8th graders will once again compete in a larger inter-town league that will give the recreation players more of a 'travel' feel as they compete against teams from Mahwah, Upper Saddle River, Waldwick, Oakland, Franklin Lakes and more.

Facility Use/Rental Applications Review:

Chairman Arone requested the Board review the following field use applications, based on the Township's procedure of involving the Recreation Board in the approval process for field rental after a review of the paperwork by the Recreation Director and Township Administrator. Two applications were discussed by the Board and approved for use/rental. The applications at this meeting included the following:

1. Play at the Plate Baseball – a local adult baseball league who has utilized our fields for the past several years, is once again requesting the use of Wyckoff Memorial Field Baseball Facility, 340 Franklin Avenue for the purpose of holding their spring and summer games on Sunday mornings. The estimated revenue from this facility rental would be \$1500.

The Director advised the Board that that his review of the application, Hold Harmless and Indemnification Agreements, and Certificates of Insurance for these requests determined the applications to be in order.

Finding the application in order and discussing the history of successful use by both programs, the Recreation Board unanimously approved all of the above applications after a motion to approve them was made by Rich Sica and seconded by Sue Buchanan.

Adult Summer Volleyball:

The Director requested approval from the Board to run a summer adult volleyball program as he has been asked by several people to try it. The Director advised that there would be little to no budget needed for this program as we have the nets and volleyballs. The Board agreed that getting adults more involved is a positive idea and agreed to make the attempt to run the adult volleyball program over the summer.

Wyckoff, New Jersey 07481, for the discussion of matters relating to the specific items designated above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the minutes of the said closed session discussion will be made public when the Recreation & Parks Department of the Township of Wyckoff determines the reason for the minutes to remain closed no longer exists and the Recreation Director shall attach to this resolution when completed the Closed Session Meeting Minutes related to the specific items designated above.

CERTIFICATION

I, ANDY WINGFIELD, RECREATION DIRECTOR OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WYCKOFF HEREBY CERTIFIES THIS RESOLUTION TO BE A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE RESOLUTION AS ADOPTED BY THE WYCKOFF RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT.

Andrew Wingfield

ANDREW WINGFIELD
RECREATION DIRECTOR

The Advisory Board entered a closed session discussion authorized by Resolution 2019-C1 at 8:28pm.

The Advisory Board re-entered the open public meeting at 9:13pm.

Advisory Board Action:

Upon coming out of Closed Session Discussion, the Advisory Board moved to (1) take action to resolve the concerns raised by the parent who attended the meeting and (2) create a sub-committee to meet with complainant to ascertain if there were any illegal or inappropriate actions that the Township would need to report to the proper authorities and take action on.

MOTION: Chris Beane
SECOND: Doug Arone
All voted Yes

Jeff Eischen, Rich Sica, and Chris Beane volunteered for the sub-committee.

The Board adjourned at 9:21pm.

MOTION: Rich Sica
SECOND: Moe Ismael
All voted Yes

Respectfully submitted,

Andy Wingfield
Director, Wyckoff Parks & Recreation