

**Bernardsville Recreation Committee**  
**February 11th, 2020 Minutes**

The regular meeting of the Bernardsville Recreation Committee was held on Tuesday, February 11th, 2020 at Borough Hall, Bernardsville, NJ. Ted Dolan called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

**In attendance was:** William DeMilt, Ted Dolan, Heather Eich, Laura Hartnett, Joe Lukacs, Melissa Provost, Steve Reynolds, Al Schaufler, Andrew Taylor, Council Liaison Jena McCredie and staff members Cheryl Ferrante and Neil Mastrobuono

**Absent was:** Louis Romano, Robert Steinkopf and Peg Trinter

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

The minutes were approved by Joe Lukacs and seconded by Al Schaufler

**OPEN SESSION:**

**QUESTIONS FOR THE RECREATION DIRECTOR/CORRESPONDENCE:**

Laura Hartnett asked Recreation to look into running the high school ski trip on Fridays in the future to avoid any conflicts with sports or any after school programs.

Cheryl Ferrante reported on the Directors Report about recreation programs, pool and administration:

**Recreation**

- Chair and basic yoga are ongoing at the Bernardsville Library.
- The Intergenerational Pizza Bingo will be held on a new date, February 27<sup>th</sup> at St. Bernard's Church on Claremont Rd at 5:00pm.
- The 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade ski trip to Shawnee ended on February 10th.
- The winter after school enrichment programs start on Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. Motorized Lego Building with Bricks 4 Kidz and NASA: Academy of Future Space Explores with Mad Science are being offered.
- "Let's Play" with Bedwell PE teachers Mr. Palmieri and Mrs. Paterno will be offered in the spring as an after school enrichment program. Students will spend their time after school playing, fun, favorite games and activities- a great way to unwind and burn energy after working hard at school.
- Vendors have sent in their programs for 2020 summer camps. The following programs will be offered:
  - 6 Week Summer Camp- June 22<sup>nd</sup>- July 30<sup>th</sup>
  - Camp Repeat- August 3<sup>rd</sup>- August 6<sup>th</sup>
  - Encore Camp- August 10<sup>th</sup>- August 13<sup>th</sup>
  - Bernardsville Police Camp- June 22<sup>nd</sup>- June 26<sup>th</sup>
  - Kinder- Antics- June 23<sup>rd</sup>- July 30<sup>th</sup>
  - Art with Mr. McCarron- July 6<sup>th</sup>- July 17<sup>th</sup>
  - High School Musical JR- June 29<sup>th</sup>- July 17<sup>th</sup>
  - Mr. Thurlow's Camp Creativity- June 29<sup>th</sup>- July 2<sup>nd</sup> & July 6<sup>th</sup>- July 9<sup>th</sup>

- JR Robotics with Bricks 4 Kidz- June 22<sup>nd</sup>- June 25<sup>th</sup>
- LEGO- Transformer Challenge Camp with Bricks 4 Kidz- July 13<sup>th</sup>- July 16<sup>th</sup>
- Video Game Design Camp with Bricks 4 Kidz- July 27<sup>th</sup>- July 30<sup>th</sup>
- CSI: Radical Reactions & Detective Science with Mad Science- July 6<sup>th</sup>- July 9<sup>th</sup>
- Baseball Camp with Coach Falzarano- June 22<sup>nd</sup>- June 25<sup>th</sup> & July 6<sup>th</sup>- July 9<sup>th</sup>
- Baseball “Big Field” Camp with Coach Falzarano- June 23<sup>rd</sup>- June 25<sup>th</sup>
- Mountaineer Track Camp with Coach Szostak- June 22<sup>nd</sup>- June 25<sup>th</sup> & July 13<sup>th</sup>- July 16<sup>th</sup>
- Bernard’s Girls Basketball with Coach Whelan- July 20<sup>th</sup>- July 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Coach Thurlow’s Soccer Skills Academy- June 22<sup>nd</sup>- July 26<sup>th</sup>
- Softball Camp with Coach O’Connor- July 20<sup>th</sup>- July 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Girls Strength Training with Coach O’Connor- July 20<sup>th</sup>- July 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Youth Basketball Camp with Bernards High School Coaches- July 13<sup>th</sup>- July 16<sup>th</sup> & July 20<sup>th</sup>- July 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Jr Mountaineer Football Camp with Coach Simoneau- August 10<sup>th</sup>- August 14<sup>th</sup>
- Multi Sports Camp with Mr. Palmieri and Mrs. Paterno- July 20<sup>th</sup>- July 23<sup>rd</sup>
- “FUN”amentals with Mrs. Palmieri and Mrs. Paterno- July 27<sup>th</sup>- July 30<sup>th</sup>
- Soccer Camp with the United Soccer Academy- August 3<sup>rd</sup>- August 6<sup>th</sup>
- Girls Basketball Camp with Coach Bisconti- June 29<sup>th</sup>- July 2<sup>nd</sup> & July 13<sup>th</sup>- July 16<sup>th</sup>

### **Pool**

- Quotes were sent out for pool opening and closing along with pool painting.

### **Administration**

- Welcome Back Letters will be sent out to lifeguards and camp counselors.

## **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Andrew Taylor reported on the financial report that there are currently low registration numbers for January. Registration will increase once pool and summer camp registration opens. Expenses are down \$7,651.50 from 2019 due to three paychecks being taken out in January compared to two in 2020.

## **ITEMS OF BUSINESS:**

- a. **Diving Board Rules and Regulations-** Neil Mastrobuono will put pool rules and regulations on a google doc where comments can be made on recommendations for changes. William DeMilt, Ted Dolan, Laura Hartnett, and Al Schaufler will form a sub group to go through the rules and regulations.
- b. **Turf Field Fees-** Council passed a resolution at the February 10<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting to suspend turf field fees for organizations with at least 80% Bernardsville Residents.
- c. **After School Summer Camp Hours Program Request-** A parent reached out to Recreation to see if there was a program available for children who attend the summer school program that ends at 1:30pm. There is currently a program offered for those who attend the summer school program that ends at 11:30am.
- d. **Program/ Pool Surveys-** The committee will review the sample surveys and email over additions/ subtractions. Laura Hartnett has asked to add interest in a diving team on the pool survey.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. **Pool & Summer Camp Fees-** please see attached documents.

- b. **Diving Team-** Recreation needs to wait until the pool covers are off to see if the diving area of the pool is in compliance with the New Jersey Pool Bathing Code.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **Wrestling-** Heather Eich mentioned that there was some disorganization with the wrestling program and with the head coach retiring this year there are multiple coaches who would like to fill that role. Recreation will have a meeting with all interested wrestling coaches prior to the 2020-2021 season.
- b. **Outdoor Basketball Courts-** Heather Eich mentioned that water is pooling and there is algae on the outdoor basketball courts. Recreation will notify Facilities Manager John McDowell.
- c. **Open Space Report-** Al Schaufler reported that the Open Space Committee will have a meeting on February 24<sup>th</sup>. There is a survey being built that will be sent to the residents. If there are any questions for the Open Space Committee please email Al Schaufler.
- d. **Goal of the Recreation Department-** The goal of the Recreation Department is to provide as much community recreation for children of all age groups and adults.
- e. **New Pool Membership Ideas-** Brandsetter Carol Inc will be looking into new pool membership options.
- f. **Increase Pool Membership-** Laura Hartnett suggested having extended pool hours and snack shack hours at the pool to increase pool membership.
- g. **Survey of Non- Pool Members-** Brandsetter Carol Inc will be having a town wide survey to get feedback of community wants/ needs.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned by Ted Dolan at 8:40pm