



Recreation Meeting Minutes May 14, 2024

Don Bogardus	Chairperson	Present
	Vice Chairperson	
Danielle Conroy	Member	Present
Lynn Apolinaro	Member	Present
Kelly Eller	Member	Absent
Neldon (Joe) Condon	Member	Present
Marla Rodriguez	Member	Absent
	Alternate #1	
	Alternate #2	
Cris Franco	Council Liaison	Present

Also in attendance was Debbie Armeno, Director of Recreation.

Recreation Committee Chair Don Bogardus called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m., all stood for the salute to the flag and a moment of silence.

The Recreation Committee Chair asked for Roll Call by Director of Recreation Debbie Armeno, we had 4 members present, 2 members absent, and 1 vacant member and 2 Alternate positions open currently.

The Recreation Committee Chair polled the Committee to hold off the vote for Vice Chair until all are present to vote. All present agreed to postpone it until the next meeting.

The Recreation Committee Chair asked for action on the April 9, 2024, meeting minutes. Danielle Conroy made a motion to approve, Lynn Apolinaro seconded all were in favor.

The Recreation Chair asked Council Liaison Cris Franco for her Council report. She spoke on French and Perillo going to speak at the next Council meeting on May 21 about field #8 improvements and that the "ARP" funding must be spent by end of this year. She encouraged this body of people to come in support and to get the sports organizations to come and support it too.

The Recreation Committee Chair asked Director of Recreation for her report. She spoke on:

1. She attended the Environment Commission meeting on April 25 and discussed the following:
 - a. Deadlines for advertising events
 - b. Collaboration on hikes for all levels and ages
 - c. Scavenger Hunt for the fall season.
2. Summer Program and Events Catalog out on line and showed the Committee the catalog via the large TV screen on wall.
3. Programs
 - a. Mini Movers Dance
 - b. Senior exercise
 - c. USA Sports each Saturday ends 5/18.
 - d. Walking Club starts Thursday 5/16 at 11a.
 - e. Senior Art Class- 4/17 4 people came.
 - f. Adult Art Class- 4/26- 13 people came. They want a Fall class.
4. The basketball courts have been painted and striped, re-opened 5/1.
5. AEDs are back on the fields from winter storage.
6. Made up postcards and they were mailed out 5-6 & 5/7 and Debbie asked if anyone had received them as of yet. No one had.
7. School will be using tennis courts outside Municipal Building from May 9 through June 14 during school hours.
8. Working with Spring Sports groups on coaches Rutgers and Fingerprints, deadline is May 17, 2024
9. We have 1 Miss Byram application and 1 Little Miss Byram application in the office, deadline is May 24, 2024.
10. We have 31 families registered for the Townwide Garage Sale, deadline to register is May 20, 2024.
11. Senior Bowling is set to begin May 21 at 1pm at Sparta Lanes.
12. Tickets are on sale through Community Pass for Monster Jam and we will be doing Football and Hockey tickets. We are still selling tickets to the Miners game on June 15.

We tabled the next agenda item of Byram Fest due to a long discussion and planning of the entire event.

The Recreation Chair asked for a report from the Events Committee, Danielle reported on the Grandparents breakfast and that if we use Applebees, which has been difficult to speak to the manager we would need servers and based on 100 people it would cost \$650.00. Danielle mentioned that she will be unavailable for this event due to coaching Field Hockey, we may look to not do this event but will discuss it at the next meeting. The Tri Athlon was brought up, we have advertised through the Spring Brochure, and we will push that out once Miss Byram deadline has ended. Don B spoke to Shawn at Lake Lackawanna Beach, and he stated the facility is set for this event.

The Recreation Chair asked Director of Recreation to discuss Byram Fest, she began by working with the Committee:

1. Plan
 - a. Location of everything that will happen at the event.
 - b. Volunteers
 - i. Games- managed by sports groups.
 - ii. Rubbish pick up (scouts)
 - c. Timelines
 - i. Stage
 1. Expos by in town groups
 2. Bill the Juggler
 - ii. Flow of the day
 - iii. Start to finish.
 - d. Band
 - i. Subject to Change- spoke with manager.
 - ii. DJ being Magic Touch that we have previously used.
 - e. Confirmed items.
 - i. Any changes
 - ii. Adjustments
 - f. Food Trucks- 5 confirmed and 2 pending
 - g. Fireworks- Serpico \$8,900.00
 - h. Budget
 - i. We are still well within our budget.

I did explain that since I am new there may be changes based on waterlines and other things I may not be aware of so some items may have to be moved and the Committee was good with this based on most of them are new too.

Recreation Chair asked for any topics or items for the Recreation meeting on June 11, 2024. Danielle asked that we bring programs for the fall.

The Recreation Committee Chair opened the meeting to the 1 person from the public, she had no input.

Danielle Conroy made a motion to adjourn, Lynn Apolinaro seconded, all were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah Armeno,
Director of Recreation