

**Borough of Wood Ridge
Recreation Commission
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These are the Recreation Commission Meeting minutes for the Recreation Commission Meeting of September 9, 2020.

Dennis Brubaker called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. After the Sunshine Law was read, attendance was taken, attendees were:

Dennis Brubaker – in attendance,

Jerry Lanzerotti – not in attendance,

Barbara Fischkelta – in attendance,

LoriAnn Iacovino – in attendance,

Pat Ambrosio, - in attendance,

Jon Wollerman – in attendance,

Ray Crews – not in attendance,

Michelle Mabel – in attendance,

Michael Kaseman –in attendance,

Council liaison Ezio Altamura - in attendance

Commission Secretary/Director of Recreation Jacki Goldklang - in attendance.

Dan Staley – NJ Esports

Neil Malvone – NJ Esports

* Michele Mabel will vote for Jerry Lanzerotti & Mike Kaseman will vote for Ray Crews

Jon Wollerman made a motion to approve the July 8, 2020 Recreation Commission meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Loriann Iacovino. A vote was taken; Dennis Brubaker – yes, Jerry Lanzerotti – NIA, Barbara Fischkelta – yes, Loriann Iacovino – yes, Pat Ambrosio – yes, Jon Wollerman – yes, Ray Crews –NIA, Michele Mabel –yes, Mike Kasesman- yes. Motion passed.

Correspondence Incoming

N/A

Correspondence Outgoing

Request - Certificate of Insurance for USABL 8/15-8/16

Request - Certificate of Insurance for USABL 8/29-8/30

Request - Certificate of Insurance for Suburban Baseball League (Fall Ball)

Request - Certificate of Insurance for Secaucus Fall Ball League

Flyers to the School (WRJSHS, WRIS, Doyle, Moonachie)

N/A

Permits

Issued to Melissa Prior for Civic Center Sept 2020 – May 2021

Bills:

Vendor	Amount	Account	P/O 2020
Anna Gramlich	\$150	224 Rec Other	R2000749
EJG Sports	\$597.50	224 Rec Other	R2000754
Jacqueline Goldklang REIM	\$962.63	224 Rec Other	R2000755
EJG Sports	\$651.65	202 Babe Ruth	R2000759
Athletic Fields of America	\$2,400	099 Misc	20-01204
Instant Verification	\$200	201 Coaches Cert	2000769
Jacqueline Goldklang REIM	\$241.65	224 Rec Other	R2000770
Keri Meier REFUND	\$75.00	208 Girls Softball	R2000771
Melissa Dano REFUND	\$100	202 Babe Ruth	R2000772
EJG Sports	\$1,410	200 Adult SB	R2000808
Stan's Sport Center	\$299.50	204 Jr. FB/Cheer	R2000809
South Bergen Soccer League	\$300	225 Fall Soccer	R2000828
South Bergen Soccer League	\$3,700	225 Fall Soccer	R2000829
Anna Gramlich	\$225	224 Rec Other	R2000830

Jon Wollerman made a motion to approve the bills listed above. The motion was seconded by Pat Ambrosio. A vote was taken; Dennis Brubaker – yes, Jerry Lanzerotti – NIA, Barbara Fischkelta – yes, Loriann Iacovino – yes, Pat Ambrosio – yes, Jon Wollerman – yes, Ray Crews – NIA, Michele Mabel – yes, Mike Kaseman-yes. Motion passed.

Hearing of Citizens:

Dan Staley & Neil Malvone were in attendance on behalf of NJ Esports. The presentation included a detailed description of how NJ Esports would work in Wood-Ridge. Games

(45 minutes each) would be played on Saturdays. In addition to the \$1,000 start up to be paid by W-R Rec., there would also be a fee for each sport that a child would participate in every six to eight weeks of \$50. We would own our own page however advertising space would be available for sale & controlled by NJ Esports. A lengthy discussion followed with Commissioners questioning many topics including declining numbers for many recreation sports, safety issues, ability to regulate and control profanity etc. The Rec Commission unanimously agreed that it would be best if we had a facility in which games could be played, monitored and controlled and ultimately decided not to move forward with a contract with NJ Esports at this time.

Unfinished Business/Committee Reports:

a. **Jacki Goldklang:**

Fall Ball Teams: Girls 17U & 12U, Boys 17U, 12U, 10U.

Fall Registrations: Football – 87, Cheer – 49, Soccer - 272

Fall Events: Ragamuffin Parade, Trunk or Treat & Senior Halloween Party. Recreation Commission made a recommendation to the Mayor & Council to cancel these events for 2020 in light of the pandemic.

b. **Dennis Brubaker:**

Coaches Certification: Currently background checks are being held, Id Cards are being issued.

c. **Jerry Lanzerotti:**

NIA.

d. **Barbara Fischkelta:**

Fall Soccer – Fall Soccer Meeting was held on 9/8. Running behind on uniforms. Concession stand will have no sale of any prepared foods at all. Must wear masks, use gloves and enforce NJ State social distance requirements.

e. **Loriann Iacovino:**

Jr. Football/Cheering: Football & Cheering all good. Numbers are low.

f. **Pat Ambrosio:**

Girls Softball – Girls Softball went well.

g. **Jon Wollerman:**

Adult 35 & over Softball – Registration went very well, 92 players.

h. **Ray Crews:**

Little League – NIA.

i. **Michele Mabel:**
NTR

j. **Michael Kaseman:**
NTR

k. **Ezio Altamura (Council Liaison Report):**

WRHS Donna Ricker Field – Reported that the Field is open and Coach T has been hired as a site director to ensure that social distancing is enforced and usage of the field is limited to W-R residents and team sports only. Field looks great!

Wesmont – WRAC – Turf to be delivered next week. Hoping to use the field by the beginning of October.

Covid-19 – If any sports experience any covid-19 related illnesses, please contact Jacki asap.

Recreation Commission has gone through some tough decisions. We should always remember to make all decisions based on what is good for all of the children of our community. Everyone does a great job. We have the best governing body. Kudos to all!

Announcements:

Next Recreation Commission Meeting will be held on

Wednesday October 14, 2020 at 8 p.m.

Please let Jacki know if you will not be in attendance.

Jon Wollerman made a motion to close the meeting at 9:25 p.m. The motion was seconded by Loriann Iacovino. A vote was taken; Dennis Brubaker – yes, Jerry Lanzerotti NIA, Barbara Fischkelta – yes, Loriann Iacovino – yes, Pat Ambrosio – yes, Jon Wollerman – yes, Ray Crews – NIA, Michele Mabel – yes, Mike Kaseman-yes. Motion passed.