

BOROUGH OF WOOD RIDGE

Recreation Commission

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These are the Recreation Commission Meeting minutes for the Recreation Commission Meeting of January 10, 2024.

Dennis Brubaker called the meeting to order at 7:30 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,

Barbara Fischkelta – in attendance,

LoriAnn Iacovino – in attendance,

Pat Ambrosio – not in attendance,

Jon Wollerman –in attendance,

Ray Crews – in attendance,

Michael Kaseman – not in attendance,

Rich Wall – in attendance,

Jason Cata – in attendance,

Ed Monti – not in attendance,

Council Liaison Ezio Altamura – in attendance,

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

**In the absence of Pat Ambrosio, Rich Wall's vote will count.

**In the absence of Michael Kaseman, Jason Cata's vote will count.

Jon Wollerman made a motion to approve the W-R Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2023. The motion was seconded by Rich Wall. A vote was taken; Dennis Brubaker – yes, Barbara Fischkelta – yes, Loriann Iacovino – yes, Pat Ambrosio – NIA, Jon Wollerman – yes, Ray Crews – yes, Mike Kaseman- NIA, Rich Wall – yes, Jason Cata – yes.

Motion passed.

Ezio Altamura issued the Oath of Office to Jon Wollerman for the Borough of Wood-Ridge for a 5-year term to 12/31/2028. A copy will be notarized by Ezio Altamura and sent to Jacki Goldklang.

Jon Wollerman made a motion to approve the suspend the regular order of business and turn the meeting over to Jacki Goldklang for the 2024 Reorganization. The motion was seconded by Rich Wall. A vote was taken; Dennis Brubaker – yes, Barbara

*Fischkelta – yes, Loriann Iacovino – yes, Pat Ambrosio – NIA, Jon Wollerman – yes, Ray Crews – yes, Mike Kaseman- NIA, Rich Wall – yes, Jason Cata – yes.
Motion passed.*

*Jon Wollerman made a motion to nominate Dennis Brubaker as the 2024 Wood-Ridge Recreation Chairman. The motion was seconded by Barbara Fischkelta. A vote was taken; Dennis Brubaker – abstain, Barbara Fischkelta – yes, Loriann Iacovino – yes, Pat Ambrosio – NIA, Jon Wollerman – yes, Ray Crews – yes, Mike Kaseman- NIA, Rich Wall – yes, Jason Cata – yes.
Motion passed.*

*Rich Wall made a motion to nominate Barbara Fischkelta as the 2024 Wood-Ridge Recreation Vice-Chairwoman. The motion was seconded by Jason Cata. A vote was taken; Dennis Brubaker – yes, Barbara Fischkelta – abstain, Loriann Iacovino – yes, Pat Ambrosio – NIA, Jon Wollerman – yes, Ray Crews – yes, Mike Kaseman- NIA, Rich Wall – yes, Jason Cata – yes.
Motion passed.*

*Jon Wollerman made a motion to return to the regular order of business. The motion was seconded by Rich Wall. A vote was taken; Dennis Brubaker – yes, Barbara Fischkelta – yes, Loriann Iacovino – yes, Pat Ambrosio – NIA, Jon Wollerman – yes, Ray Crews – yes, Mike Kaseman- NIA, Rich Wall – yes, Jason Cata – yes.
Motion passed.*

2024 W-R Recreation Commission Liaisons

Seniors – Dennis Brubaker & Barbara Fischkelta

Summer Recreation – Dennis Brubaker & Barbara Fischkelta

Track & Field – Jason Cata & Pat Ambrosio

Soccer (Fall & Winter Indoor) – Rich Wall & Jason Cata

YMCA – Dennis Brubaker & Barbara Fischkelta

W-R/Moon Little League; Baseball & Softball Divisions – Rich Wall & Jon Wollerman

Ragamuffin Parade – Loriann Iacovino & Jason Cata

Adult 30 & Over Basketball – Mike Kaseman & Pat Ambrosio

Adult Under 30 Basketball (have graduated HS) – Mike Kaseman & Jon Wollerman

Men's Softball – Jon Wollerman & Ray Crews

Jr. Football & Cheering – Loriann Iacovino & Jason Cata

Babe Ruth Baseball – Mike Kaseman & Loriann Iacovino

Jr. Wrestling – Pat Ambrosio & Jon Wollerman

Basketball (Rec & Travel) – Ray Crews & Loriann Iacovino

Summer Camps – with each individual sport

2024 W-R Recreation Registration Fees

Recreation Sports

\$50 per child or \$150 for 3 or more siblings

Summer Recreation

\$150 per child

Babe Ruth Baseball \$100 per player

Jon Wollerman made a motion to set the above 2024 W-R Recreation registration fees. The motion was seconded by Loriann Iacovino. A vote was taken; Dennis Brubaker – yes, Barbara Fischkelta – yes, Loriann Iacovino – yes, Pat Ambrosio – NIA, Jon Wollerman – yes, Ray Crews – yes, Mike Kaseman- NIA, Rich Wall – yes, Jason Cata – yes.

Motion passed.

Correspondence Incoming

Various Catalogs

Correspondence Outgoing

Certificates of Insurance – Comp Cheer (Hackensack HS Comp, David Breatly HS Comp, Wayne Valley HS Comp, Just Cheer All Stars Comp, Secaucus HS Comp, Saddle Brook HS Comp, Brookdale Community College Comp, Nationals at the Coastal at the Capital Comp)

Flyers emailed to the schools/Posted on Social Media

W-R PBA Dinner

Permits

WRHS Baseball (WRAC WRHS)

WRHS Softball (WRAC)

14U Spring Baseball Tournament

US Sports Winter Classes for Squirt Soccer on Saturdays and Fridays.

Bills: 099 – Seniors, 201 Coaches Certification, 204 Jr. Football/Cheer, 205 Basketball, 217 Wrestling, 219 Instructors Fee, 223 Travel Rec Basketball

Vendor	Amount	Sport	Requisition/PO
Instant Verification	\$402	201 Coaches Cert	R2301530
Englewood Hospital	\$200	224 Rec Other	R2301528
Jacqueline Goldklang-reim	\$100.51	099 Seniors	R2301509
Ed Monti-reim	\$93.64	225 Soccer	R2301510
Alana Ambrosio	\$30	205 Basketball	R2301511
Chance Iacovino	\$30	205 Basketball	R2301512
Ava Rizos	\$45	205 Basketball	R2301513
MaryGrace Milne	\$60	205 Basketball	R2301514
Paige Dimase	\$75	205 Basketball	R2301515
Phil Romero	\$150	205 Basketball	R2301516
Charles Rusconi	\$400	205 Basketball	R2301517
Anthony Iacovino	\$450	205 Basketball	R2301518
East Coast Designs Unlimited	\$4,130	205 Basketball	R2301502

Jacqueline Goldklang-reim

\$978.72 224/099 Rec Other Seniors R2301501

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

Hearing of Citizens:

Joseph Angelosante was in attendance in regards to reinstating his coach’s clearance. Joe Apologized for his behavior. He explained that this past year has been a time of growth. He has listened to both parents and coaches. Dennis addressed Joe and read a negative piece from an email that Joe sent to Loriann. He also explained that if Joe were to be reinstated and had one more issue that was in violation of the W-R Coaches Code of Ethics or Coaches Code of Conduct, or if Joe were to send one more derogatory email, he would not be able to coach ever again in Wood-Ridge and reminded Joe that this would include W-R Recreation & Travel sports.

Unfinished Business/Committee Reports:

Jacki Goldklang:

Winter Sports – Basketball – 257, Travel Basketball – 93, Indoor Soccer – 79, Wrestling – 26

Updated 2024 Recreation Commission Meeting Dates

(the dates highlighted in red were changed)

1/10/2024 Reorganization Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Thursday 2/15/2024 7:30 p.m.

3/13/2024 8 p.m.

4/10/2024 8 p.m.

5/8/2024 8 p.m.

6/12/2024 8 p.m.

7/10/2024 8 p.m.

No August Meeting

9/11/2024 8 p.m.

10/9/2024 8 p.m.

11/20/2024 7:30 p.m.

12/11/2024 7:30 p.m.

Sports Connect (Blue Sombrero) – Total of 6.4 % is charged per transaction. \$3 registration fee and 3.4% credit card fee. They will be sending a demo.

2023 Year End Balances were moved to an escrow account in order to complete the 2023 audit. Once we roll over, the balances will be moved to the 2024 accounts.

099 Misc	(\$87.50)
200 Adult Softball	\$507.04
201 Coaches Certification	\$1,239.00
202 Babe Ruth	\$5,916.06
204 Jr. Football/Cheering	\$6,768.67
205 Biddy Basketball	\$10,308.05
208 Girls Softball	\$10,138.30
209 Summer Program	\$132,675.53
215 Modern Dance Hip Hop	\$216.57
217 Wrestling	\$7,073.33
219 Instructors Fees	\$5,425.00
221 Indoor Soccer	\$9,716.31
223 Spring Basketball	\$9,678.79
224 Rec. Other Misc.	\$22,184.45
225 Fall Soccer	\$4,721.75
234 Track & Field	\$2,631.58
Total	\$229,112.93

Spring Sports Registration has begun:

Babe Ruth Baseball – now 13-16-year olds. Flyers are out and online is up and running. As of today, we have 2 registered.

WRHS Spring Soccer Tournament:

Alberico (WRHS Soccer Coach) has requested the Commission once again sponsor his tournament. Last year there were problems with Garfield requiring the police to be called. This year the Commission has requested Alberico to host a meeting with Jacki, Coach T and all organizers from his staff to go over coverage.

JAG Athletic Training:

Requested us to complete a Quick Reference JAG Athletic Training Checklist. Loriann completed and Jacki will forward to JAG.

Coaches Certification Safety Class:

January 9th class was cancelled due to the inclement weather and will be held on Tuesday January 16th at 6 p.m.

Tik Tok account:

This new social media account will most likely start up to coincide with Summer Recreation 2024.

Mahjong:

Seniors are looking to start Mahjong. We advertised it in the calendar and are asking anyone who wants to participate to contact the recreation office. We are also looking into finding an instructor.

Dennis Brubaker:

Coaches Safety Course - rescheduled for Tuesday 1/16.

Barbara Fischkelta: NTR

Loriann Iacovino:

Jr. Football & Cheer – Held a meeting and received a request to open their own Instagram. Recreation Commission decided that all social media should go through the Recreation accounts and not be controlled by volunteers.

Pat Ambrosio: NIA (sick with Flu)

Jon Wollerman:

Girls Softball/Little League – meeting was held. He was not in attendance however has heard that all is going well right now and registration is underway.

Ray Crews:

Basketball (Rec & Travel) – Heard all is going well. Hackensack pulled their program from league.

Michael Kaseman: NIA – (report sent) LL/Softball registration open – 89 registered so far – 31 Softball & 58 Little League. New LL Board in place. Babe Ruth adding a 16-year-old division.

Rich Wall: LL/Softball Registration open.

Jason Cata: NTR

Ed Monti:

NIA.

Ezio Altamura (Council Liaison Report):

Accomplishments should be reported to Ezio for recognition by Mayor & Council.

New Business:

N/A

Announcements:

Next Recreation Commission Meeting will be held on **Thursday February 15, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.** This meeting will be held at Borough Hall. Please let Jacki know if you will not be in attendance.

*Loriann Iacovino made a motion to close the meeting at 9:17 p.m. The motion was seconded by Jason Cata. A vote was taken; Dennis Brubaker – yes, Barbara Fischkelta – yes, Loriann Iacovino – yes, Pat Ambrosio – NIA, Jon Wollerman – yes, Ray Crews – yes, Mike Kaseman-NIA, Rich Wall – yes, Jason Cata – yes
Motion passed.*