

## Board of recreation commissioners Meeting November 7th, 2018

### Roll Call:

Gerry Aponte (Chair)	Present
Chris Snell	Absent
Dino Kostantakis	Present
Eugene Godlewski	Present
Don Morrell	Absent
Mike Prulello Altn. #1	Present
Jeff Devito Altn #2	Present
Tony Como (Director)	Present
Councilwoman Stewart	Present

Chairman Aponte called the meeting to order at 7:04pm

*Director Como announced "That all requirements of the Open Public meeting law have been met for this meeting of the Board of Recreation Commissioners of The Borough of Dumont*

*Notices have been transmitted to the newspapers*

*Notices prominently posted in a space provided on the bulletin*

*At the Borough hall*

*Notice has been filed with Borough Clerk*

### Open Public Participation

**Mike made a motion to open the public portion of the meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> by Eugene Roll call taken Motion Carried**

### Ed Angeles

#### Rocco Giangregorio

Ed Stated that he was disappointed the way thing were handle in reference to their tryouts. Ed sataed that from this point forward their tryouts will be held in October Ed stated going forward we will not accept anything that is said it must be set forth by a motion or in writing from the recreation commission

Gerry said we will sit down and have a meeting and talk about the issues Gerry also stated that no one is trying to hurt any program. We are just trying to put a consistent structure in place for all programs

Ed stated that recreation sent out a notice that tryouts were cancelled until further notice

Gerry stated that was right because we wanted you to work with the other programs do that everyone would hace and opportunity to make the tryouts.

Rocco said that tryouts for the girls is next Tuesday and Thursday was this approved

Gerry said yes we were informed

Ed stated now that they are both on the same day Parents who have a boy and a girl are put in a difficult position.

Ed stated the he be happy to have a meeting with the commission but it would have to be in regular meeting forum.

Gerry stated that we are currently working on league policy book were all expectations will be laid out and given to all programs

Mike stated that you will come up every year you will come up and request what your programs needs

Rocco stated that in the June minutes stated we will have our tryouts in October at that time no one had and issue at that time

Jeff stated that that we need to stop worrying whether each program is overlapping with other programs. Let Parents have the responsibilities to make the decisions on what they are going to play

Rocco stated that in speaking with other towns in the league we are behind other towns are practicing and getting ready to play

Ed stated that given the gym time available those are the dated to have the tryouts

Jeff stated that everything is ok with the current tryout dates

Rocco wants to know what has to happen for them to have their tryouts

Tony stated that all flyers must come to the recreation office

Ed stated we missed that step we will make sure that does not happen again

Ed stated that we are looking for a unilateral procedure for all programs

Mike said that when you asked for the dates at the high school there was no mention of tryout dates.

Ed stated that if there was a problem with football he would like to address it now

Carlos says that football does not have an issue with any program

The concern is having a try out in October interferes with his players practice times

Mike said that if football does not have practice on Monday & Thursday have basketball tryouts

## **Carlos Zayas**

### **Football**

Carlos stated that it was a productive season all teams made the playoffs

They will be off the field on Friday

Carlos asked if there was a spot to store the sleds .It was suggested to use the garage on Charles Street

Junior game will be 5pm Saturday at Midland park High School

Carlos Stated that on Dumont day the more food vendors we have decreases the amount of money that the nonprofits make

Carlos said next year we should sit down and discuss when we can have Tryouts that won't affect the football program

**Mike made a motion to close the public portion of the meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dino.  
Roll call taken motion carried.**

### **Travel Boys' Basketball**

Tryouts are November 13<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm till 10:00pm  
Their issues were discussed in the open portion of the meeting

### **Mike**

Twin Boro Field the Backstop project was completed  
A net was also placed on the 3<sup>rd</sup> base side to protect the fans

### **Little League Baseball**

Little league submitted a check from the proceeds of the food hut for \$837.00

### **Eugene**

#### **Football cheer**

Football Cheering coming to an end

### **Football**

Carlos Gave the football report in the open portion of the meeting

### **Competition Cheering**

Will be moving their practices over to Honiss School

### **Girls' Softball**

Had their first meeting other night  
They have a new secretary Matt Lowenthal Eric Mertz step down  
Girls' softball have no interest in working with Xfactor at this time

### **Old Business**

#### **Tony Stated that we need to vote on the new fishing program**

There was a discussion on the program on the program there was a good amount of interest by the commission.

#### **Mike made a motion to pass the Dumont Fishing club pending all requirements are met concerning Dumont coaches. Also he must have some 1st aide Training 2<sup>nd</sup> by Eugene. Roll call taken motion carried**

Mike complaint form was passed out for review by the commission

A discussion was held Jeff felt that the complaint should go to the program first to see if they can fix it. All complaint should be kept on file in the Recreation Office

Jeff said we should tweak the form to be more generic Gerry said that recreation will be distributing the complaints to the proper programs for resolution Mike will make some adjustments to the form and bring back to the commission

Park Usage form was passed out

Carole said she would need to run bt the Borough attorney

Mike said the information from other communities is how he put the list together this list.

Hut Usage 2019 Mike stated that he has been discussing with little league a percentage rate for the coming year

Mike said he would like to propose that Little should have the Food Hut from April 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup> The original agreement was 20 to 25% No agreement has been decided for this year

Mike also stated that he would like to go to a mayor and council meeting to propose that the Ice cream truck stay at least 500ft away from the food hut

Jeff would like to know what the permits states and what the boundaries are

Carole stated that the mayor and council was very happy the way the food hut was run this past season. The Hut will be decided by the mayor and council for the coming season.

Mike Stated that Recreation would like to run a girls softball tournament from the Sunday before July 4<sup>th</sup> to the Sunday after July 4<sup>th</sup> .Involving all age groups.

We would be using twin Boro , Gina's Field and Columbia field

Jeff asked where the proceeds from the Tournament would go. Mike stated that all programs that helped out would get a piece of the proceeds.

**Mike Made a motion to have all the softball fields available for the week of June 29<sup>th</sup> to July 7<sup>th</sup> to run a softball tournament. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Eugene. Roll call taken motion carried**

#### **Recreation Fund raiser**

Mike wanted to thank everyone for all the help .The Knights gave us a check today for \$3,750.00. Everyone had a great time

Mike said he would like to do another in the spring to support Dumont Day

Mike Said he was speaking with council LaBruno to run a 50/50 to support Dumont Day

**Mike see he would like to clarify a statement that was made at the January 20<sup>th</sup> Meeting It was stated in the Minutes that mike wanted to take over the summer basketball program the intent was not to take over the summer basketball program. The intent was to run a summer basketball league for girls and boys.**

Jeff stated that the Dumont teams would play for free by being the host town

Gerry ststed that there was a discussion on doing the Basketball courts before doing the rubberize surfaces.

Carole will speak to Tom about switching projects

#### **Summer flag football**

Mike said per Chris's Email stated that according to ken eh said that there is not much of an interest in summer flag football

The high school program was approved first the K thru 8<sup>th</sup> program was aapproved later all games would be played at the high school

If ken dose not run the summer program we should look for someone to run it.

Tony stated that ken did agree to run the high school program with R ick Burd and anyone else who wanted to help

#### **Gina's Field**

The project is in the hands of the engineer. At a council meeting the engineer stated that the project would be complete by the end of April 2019

Stated that Maryann do a great job in putting this book together in 2016 all we need to do is update it

Tony Recommend that we should put a small committee together to update the manual

**New Business**

Jeff stated that the recreation commission should consider to allow programs to go out on their own, with the stipulation that they provide their own insurance. They will not pay a fee to use the field if they have all Dumont kids on the Team. All programs will need to follow all rules that set up by the Recreation Commission

**Summer basketball program**

Kenny does not want to continue to run the summer basketball program

Carole said that Kenny reached out to Carole. Carole stated that we should have a meeting to discuss the issues

**Mike made a motion to close the meeting 2nd by Jeff roll call taken motion carried**

**Meeting Adjourned at 9:35pm**

Submitted  
Tony Como  
Director