

Board of Recreation Commissioners Meeting March 2nd 2022

Bill Hanley	Present
Paul Shoyinka	Absent
Jennifer Grom	Present
Jeff Devito	Present
Brian Joyce	Present
Kyle Lezette	Present
Euros Rivas	Present
Joanie Diore (alt #1)	Present
Joe Algieri (alt # 2)	Present
Tony Como (Director)	Present
Councilman Gorman	Present

Director Como called the meeting to order at 7:05pm

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 board
At the Borough Hall
Notice has been filed with Borough Clerk"***

Director Como asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the February 2nd meeting.

A motion was made by commissioner Devito to approve the minutes. 2nd by commissioner Lezette. Roll call taken motion carried with 1 abstention.

Open Public Participation Commissioner Rivas made a motion to open the public portion of the meeting. 2nd by Commissioner Hanley. Roll call taken motion carried.

**Katie Gorman
Dumont Library
Donna Arena
Dumont Library**

They came to discussed the concerts in the park this summer.

Director Como stated they should consult Borough Administrator Tully to discuss the summer concerts.

Brian Harris

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Girls' Softball

Kristen Hayden went to council meeting on January 25th she spoke about a few issues they said they would get back to her as of now still no contact.

Commissioner Grom stated that she spoke to Kristen she told her the issues Commissioner Grom stated that she would get back to her shortly hopefully with some answers.

Brian asked about the condition of the old field. The engineer was supposed to come with a plan.

Director Como stated that the Borough has changed engineers.

Brian stated concern about paying the umpires this coming season.

Director Como stated that so far this season we are up to date in paying our recreation referees.

Director Como stated that the issue down the road is paying our travel umpires.

Brian spoke about several fundraiser that the program would like to do this year

On march 11th they will host a paint & sip Fundraiser at the Dumont Elks 7pm.

Commissioner Joyce made a motion to close the public portion of the meeting. 2nd by commissioner Diore roll call taken motion carried.

Directors Report

Director Como stated that when the previous Chairman was here we worked on a new policy for field usage and rental. Director passed out the policy.

Director Como said that since we posted it on the website we have gotten several requests for field use. We have a specific group I 9 sports which is a private company looking for field time.

Director Como asked Councilman Gorman to look into the Green Acres rules concerning field use.

Commissioner Devito stated that we should discuss this in close session

Director Como stated that we are going to have a Memorial Day Parade this year.

Director Como aske that all commissioners make contact with their programs and scouting organizations.

Program Reports

Commissioner Devito

Boys' Basketball Travel & Recreation

See attached

Jr Football & Football Cheering

See attached

Commissioner Joyce

Chemical Program

Sent out and RFQ to 4 companies for this upcoming season for our chemical program they were Weedman, Ground Pro, Tri County property maintenance, Field Pro.

All quotes must be received by 3/11/2022 to be considered. As of this report only 1 quote has been received that was from Tri County Property Maintenance.

Twin Boro Field

Ongoing meetings with contractors, Director Como and representatives from Dumont Girls Softball continue so that everyone agrees on the future home of Dumont Girls Softball will be one we all agree on and are proud of. To date — the field is in, but needs to be top dressed and box graded once the weather warms up. Fencing for backstop in completed and open-air dugouts and fencing were started on Monday 2/28/22.

Miscellaneous:

Received several complaints from concerned residents about I-9 Sports posting signs for their programs in town. The fear is that they may lure Dumont kids away from our

recreation programs. I-9 was contacted by our Code Enforcer and was advised that B.0 # 350-17 Temporary Signs prohibits the display of such signs

Coaches Certification

Class was held on Tuesday 3/1/2022 in the Courtroom. It was well attended with 39 in attendance. There were several high school students who attended who expressed a desire to coach recreational sports which was great to see.

Field Tarps

Due to the heavy winds and unsettled weather patterns the field tarps kept coming undone. A special thank you to our DPW for securing these tarps and using sand bags and soccer goals to ensure they do not lift up again.

Commissioner Shoyinka

Girls' Basketball

Girls Rec finals are scheduled for the next 3 Saturdays. There will be pizza and trophies. If anyone from the rec commission wants to come they are more than welcome. This Saturday the last game is at 1:15pm with pizza and trophies at 2:15pm. The following 2 weeks the finals are at 12:15pm with the pizza and trophies at 1:15pm.

Travel is wrapping up in the next two weeks. Dumont has two teams in playoff spots and the third graders improved a lot but there's no playoffs for that division.

Commissioner Hanley

Soccer

Boys and Girls Travel Soccer Report for March 2022 OVERVIEW GIRLS

TRAVEL

* 2 teams will be competing for Northern Counties this spring

- 9U Girls HC Kristin Guercio
- 13U Girls HC Bill Hanley

OVERVIEW BOYS TRAVEL

*3 teams will be competing for Northern Counties this spring

- 9U Boys HC Mike Bieltz
- 11U Boys HC Perry Golas
- 13U Boys HC Patrick Sullivan

- Opening Weekend for Northern Counties is Sunday March 27, 2022
- Thank you for moving the Soccer Nets to Selzer School

Questions

- Will the High School Field be available for Travel at any point for practices?
- Is the lock still working on the goals at the HS and if it is a new lock will a new key be given to Soccer?
- Please let us know when permits are completed so teams may begin using fields to practice

Mike Davis was wondering if possible to ask whoever lined the field at Selzer for the fall season for the High School if they would be willing to do it for the soccer program and he would pay them? Just need it outlined, we will keep up with lining it each week during season

Wrestling

OVERVIEW

- Twin-County Season is over. They competed in 5 Saturday Rec Matches
- They did not host a home match this year due to the weather on the day of their scheduled match
- They participated in 2 Tournaments
- 1st and 2nd year wrestlers participated in the Twin County Novice Tournament (Ken Garibaldian Tournament)
- Seasonal Wrestlers participated in the Oakland Invitational Tournament.
- District and Regions have finished

- 16 wrestlers placed at districts with 8 advancing to regions.
- 1 wrestler placed at regions
- There are 3 wrestlers who qualified for the youth states that will be held between 3/12-3/22 in Trenton

Commissioner Rivas

Men's Softball

- Signups are completed. We have 84 players signed up. That's 6 teams each with 14 players.
- Season will begin league play on Tues April 5th- weather permitting.
- Can we be able to extend the lights to 10:30 again this year.

Roller Hockey

- Season completed
- The midgets are in the playoffs
- The rink was deemed unsafe by the Roller Hockey Association
- We would like to do some fund raising prior to next season to help with rink repairs

Commissioner Algieri

Baseball

- 303 total kids joined
 - Kickball (4-year-old) = 4 teams
 - T-ball (5-year-old) = 4 teams
 - Coach Pitch (6-year-old) = 6 Teams
 - Farm (7/8-year-old) = 9 teams
 - Minors (9/10-year-old) = 5 teams
 - Majors (10/11/12 year- old) = 5 teams
- Flyers are currently being made for interest in adult kickball league
- Field clean-up is going to be April 2nd (make-up April)

Questions:

- The clubhouse needs repairs including the aluminum siding, windows being broken, etc. wanted to see any repair options

Concerns:

- Vandalism on and around the fields is a constant issue throughout the year. Security cameras was brought up as an option in the past. Wanted to know if security cameras were not going to be installed what else could be done to keep the fields safe.

Senior League and Middle School Baseball

- Waiting on finding coaches for each

Commissioner Grom**Girls' Softball**

See Attached

Commissioner Diore**Competition Cheering**

Nothing to report at this time

Football Cheering

Commissioner Diore will speak to Sherry about the upcoming season the concern is that since we have not had a program the hope we will get the girls to come back to our program.

Old Business

Director Como Open the floor for Nominations For the office of Chairman.

Commissioner Devito Nominated Commissioner Rivas for the office of Chairman.

Director Como asked Commissioner Rivas if he accepts the Nomination

Commissioner Rivas accepted the nomination.

Director Como Asked if there were any more nominations.

Being that there were no other nominations Director Como cast one ballot to Elect Commissioner Rivas Chairman of the Recreation Commissioner for a term of 2 years.

Director Como open the floor for nominations for the office of Vice Chairman to fulfill the unexpired term of 1 year.

Commissioner Lizette Nominated Commissioner Devito for the office of Vice Chairman.

Commissioner Devito accepted the Nomination for the office of Vice Chairman

Director Como asked if there were any other nominations. There being none Director Como Cast one ballot for Commissioner Devito to be elected to the office of Vice Chairman for a term on 1 year.

New Business

No new Business at this time

Director Como asked for a motion to adjourn

**Commissioner Diore made a motion to adjourn. 2nd By
Commissioner Rivas. Roll call taken motion carried**

Meeting adjourn at 8:13pm

Respectively Submitted


Tony Como

Director

Program: Girls Softball
Report Date: March 2, 2022
Program Coordinator: Brian Harris
Program Liaison: Jennifer Grom

Dumont Girls Softball Program Report - March 2022

- **Opening Day - April 16th - In conjunction with Little League**
- **DGS held their monthly league meeting on 2/28/22**
 - **30 parents in attendance, minutes published by 3/5**
- **Current Softball Enrollment**

<i>Division</i>	<i>Age Group</i>	<i>Enrollment</i>	<i>Teams</i>
T-Ball	Pre-K and K	20	3
Coach Pitch	1st and 2nd	35	4
Juniors	3rd - 5th	55	4
Seniors	6th - 8th	31	2*

*** Participating in Kinderkamack Spring Travel League**

- **Acquisition of Sponsors in progress: Team Sponsors, Advertising Sponsors**
- **Girls Softball Day - June 11th (Tentative), Vendors being assessed**
- **New: Umpire Clinic being offered - End of March/Early April**
- **Uniform change 2022 season - Players provide uniform pants (standard practice)**
- **Fundraising**
 - **Snack Hut: Friday nights, Saturday mornings**
 - **DGS Spirit Apparel Sale**
 - **Paint Night - 3/11 - Flier Attached**

Jr Football & Cheer Report for March 2022

Overview:

The Jr Football and Cheer programs have combined with Program Coordinators Candice Zayas and Sherry Godlewski respectively. The following is the report of what has occurred since this merger:

- Our numbers for the program are still growing (57 total over 3 levels)
- We will be going to the equipment shed to check out inventory and decide what needs to be ordered over the next few weeks
- We want to have the 7 on 7 non-contact program that we started last season run from late April until the end of May at DHS.
- The program will be run with the help of the varsity football staff and players.
- We will be putting in for the field one night a week from 6:30 - 8:00(specific day and dates to be determined)
- Cost will remain at \$40 for the 6 week program with \$35 of the \$40 to go to registration fees for each player's jr. football fees.
- The program is open to all kids in town who will be entering 3rd-8th grade next year.
- There will be another League meeting where we will have to pay our fees in March
- I will have that information for Tony as I receive it.
- Individual Committee meetings will be starting at the end of this month or the beginning of April.
- We will also be discussing when Jr. Cheer registration should begin and when we will start to open payment for Jr. Football.

Boys Travel & Rec Basketball Report for March 2022

Overview: Boy's Travel

I have been in contact with Ed Angeles and Rocco Giangregorio in regards to the current state of Travel and Rec Basketball. The following is the report:

- There are 11 travel teams from 2nd grade through 8th playing.
- Teams are ending their Bergen Travel Basketball League (BTBL) season in a few weeks.
- All is going well as a few teams are in position to make the playoffs
- There are a few outstanding invoices as Tony is aware of.
- We believe a final answer to the Vazquez family donation that was brought up at the December will coming at this meeting

Overview: Boy's Rec

- Boys recreation basketball is going well
- Approximately 150 players in the program
- 14 teams (5 2nd/3rd 5 4th/5th 4 6th-8th)
- Games have begun over the last 2 weeks.
- There are a few outstanding invoices as Tony is aware of
- All referee info will be submitted this week so that they can get paid
- Unfortunately as with other rec programs the refs are difficult to keep because of our system of payment