

Board of Recreation Commissioners Meeting February 19th 2020

Eugene Godlewski (Acting Chair)	Present
Dino Kostantakis	Present
Don Morrell	Present
Mike Prulello	Absent
Jeff Devito	Present
Brian Joyce	Present
Kyle Lezette	Present
Joanie Diore (alt #1)	Present
Brian Harris (Alt # 2)	Present
Tony Como (Recreation Director)	Present
Councilman Gorman	Present

Acting Chairman Godlewski called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

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*

Open Public Participation

Commissioner Morrell made a motion to open the public portion of the meeting. 2nd by Commissioner Kostantakis roll call taken - motion carried

Mike Davis
Dumont Soccer Club - President
Dumont Boy Scouts

Mr. Davis stated that on behalf of the Boy Scouts they would like a list of past Eagle Scout projects so they could prepare a schedule for continuing maintenance on them by the Boy Scout organization.

There will be 5 travel soccer teams for the spring season

Recreation Director Como stated that the field requisitions will be submitted to the schools and they will have Twin-Boro on Sundays.

Michael Boyce
Dumont Girls Softball

Mr. Boyce discussed the bathroom situation at Columbia Field. Specifically, the water meter does not go in in a timely matter preventing them from being used during the season.

Recreation Director Como stated that it is in the hands of the water company (Suez), also a plumber was contacted to see if we could put the meter inside the building. Recreation Director Como was told to call Suez - 3 calls were placed and never received a return call.

Recreation Director Como stated that he could have a Porta-John placed at the field within 2 days

Mr. Boyce spoke about the portable fence at Columbia Field and was advised it should be installed mid-March.

Commissioner Morrell made a motion to close the meeting to the public 2nd by Commissioner Diore roll call taken - motion carried.

Director's Report

Recreation Director Como spoke about two sheds that we need. The one shed is for the Recreation Track program to be placed somewhere on the High School grounds.

Commissioner Morrell made a motion to purchase the shed for the track program once the Board of Education approves the placement (location) of the shed. 2nd by Commissioner Kostantakis Roll call taken - motion carried.

The second shed was for Dumont Girls Softball for the Junior Field at Columbia Field.

Commissioner Harris made a motion to purchase the shed and supplies for the Junior Field at Columbia Field and Dumont Girls Softball will install the pad. 2nd by Commissioner Kostantakis roll call taken - motion carried.

Recreation Director Como mention that Dumont Girls Softball wants to do a TV raffle (Tabled until later in the meeting)

Commissioner DeVito spoke about the 7 on 7 football for the spring and summer. It will be a joint effort between the High School Football coaches & Dumont Recreation Football coaches and the varsity players The program will start in the spring there will be 2 five sessions

Requisition has been submitted for the High School field

Recreation Director Como stated that Mike Gracey (President of Dumont recreation Football) sent an email saying that they would like to have 1st & 2nd Grade flag football program

Commissioner Lezette stated that they do not want to hurt another program they would just like to get the kids that will play tackle when they are in the 3rd grade ready for football.

Commissioner Diore will invite Ken Sobek (President of Dumont Recreation Flag Football) to the next meeting so there are no misunderstandings.

Recreation Director Como stated at the next Mayor & Council meeting a new Celebrations Committee will be introduced. Recreation Director Como discussed the makeup of the committee.

Recreation Director Como spoke about the candidates for the open Summer Camp Director position. Recreation Director Como and Commissioner Morrell met and went over the applications and decided on 6 individuals that will be interviewed for the position. Interviews will be next Tuesday (2/24) & Wednesday (2/25). At the March meeting we should have a candidate to present to the commission.

Commissioner Joyce stated that there are 20 girls that applied for the Middle School Softball team that he will be coaching. Since this is the first year he decided to keep all the girls. Commissioner Joyce did not want to turn anyone away and hopes the program will continue next year. Practices will start this Sunday (2/22) at Tunnel Vision. This Friday (2/20) we will be meeting with the Superintendent and the Principals of both Honiss and Selzer Schools to work out the logistics for the players and their equipment storage for away games

Recreation Director Como stated that he had 17 applications for the Middle School baseball team and tryouts will be held this Sunday (2/22) at the high school.

Recreation Director Como spoke about the bylaws committee the first meeting will March 2nd.

Commissioner Morrell asked if money could be put in the budget for security at Memorial Park for the summer hours

Committee Reports

Acting Chair Godlewski

Comp Cheering

Comp cheer will need a P. O. for the Knight of Columbus for their end of year party, Recreation Director Como said that he needs an invoice

Football Cheer

They had their elections everything stayed the same.

They had a discussion about eliminating their junior coaches and just using 3 dance coaches

They have had a discussion with football about working together this season

Roller Hockey

Roller hockey is a dying sport registrations are very low

Commissioner Diore asked if the sports that are having low numbers could it be that there is not enough information about those programs. Commissioner Diore stated that we could possibly get them together and post information on our web site

Commissioner DeVito stated that we should instruct all our programs to have a meeting with their parents right after registration and another during the season and that information should be put on our web site so that if anyone missed the meeting the information is available.

Football

Football had their elections

Commissioner Diore

Flag Football No report

Track

No Report

Commissioner Kostantakis

Men's Softball

Registration will close on the 20th the draft will be in 2 weeks

Girls' Basketball

Girls are getting ready for the playoffs

Wrestling

2 players qualified to move on in the state tournament

Commissioner DeVito

Boy's Travel Basketball

Please see attached

Commissioner Joyce

Boy's Recreation Basketball

Commissioner Joyce stated that one basket at Grant School is broken and will be out of service for the week

Commissioner DeVito stated that the high school and the girl's basketball program have helped in providing some gym time

Commissioner Harris

Dumont Girls Softball

President Boyce already give the report there will be a softball meeting tomorrow night

Dumont Soccer Club

Girls had an indoor soccer tournament this past weekend and did very well

Council Liaison

Councilman Gorman stated that to address concerns regarding the tree issue at Memorial Park you need to go on the Shade Tree Commission's website and fill out the form so that they have it on record and would be able to get to it in a timely manner

Councilman Gorman spoke about the cameras at Memorial Park. He spoke to someone at the county level and advised the Commission what the concerns were with the type of cameras that were proposed. He passed around a spec sheet of what was suggested.

Councilman Gorman stated that the council did not think that there will be a problem with extending the light curfew at Twin-Boro to 10:30pm. There will be further discussion by the council at their next meeting.

Old Business

No old business

New Business

Commissioner Harris Stated that Honiss School Gym was closed to comp cheering
Commissioner Harris stated that wrestling got kicked out and cheering was given the time

Recreation Director Como stated that was not the case the High School Cheering program
kicked wrestling out and took the gym from 5:30pm to 9:00pm comp cheering got 9:00pm to
10:00pm Wrestling got Tuesday & Friday.

Commissioner Harris stated that Mike Davies said that a scout wanted to build a shed as an
Eagle Scout project

Commissioner DeVito asked if anyone had a connection to use alternative places to hold
recreation programs, we will need to find those places.

Commissioner Morrell stated that they may not be allowed due to insurance rules. When Little
League wanted to do the work on their building, they were told by the borough that it has to be
done by licensed contractors. They would also have to get a permit from the building
department.

**At this time Recreation Director Como open the floor for nominations for the
office of Chairman. Commissioner Kostantakis Nominated Acting Chair Godlewski
for the position 2nd by Commissioner Morrell Acting Chair Godlewski accepted the
nomination roll call taken - motion carried**

**There being no other nominations Commissioner Morrell made a motion to close
nominations 2nd by Commissioner Diore Roll call taken - motion carried**

**Commissioner Morrell made a motion to close the meeting 2nd by Acting Chair
Godlewski roll call taken - motion carried 10:00pm**

Submitted

Tony Como

Recreation Director

Boys Travel Basketball Report for February 2020

Overview:

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

- We currently have 12 teams from 2nd -8th grade level.
- All kids have signed up and paid in full on Community Pass.
- Season coming to a close, playoffs start in March.
- Things are going well.
- More than half our teams are eligible for playoffs.
- The annual awards dinner has been planned for Tuesday, March 24th
- The K-3 "Biddy Basketball" program will resume in late March or early April.
- Ed or Rocco will submit flyers for approval to be distributed to the elementary schools.
- Ed and Rocco will be presenting their plan for a Summer Tournament at Memorial after their season ends.
- Program was presented and approved at our October meeting