

## **Board of Recreation Commissioners Meeting May 3rd 2023**

Bill Hanley	Present
Paul Shoyinka	Present
Joe Algieri	Present
Marina Cambareri	Present
Jeff Devito (Vice Chairman)	Present
Euris Rivas (Chairman)	Present
Mike Petriello	Absent
Joanie Diore (alt #1)	Present
Christie Prepis (alt #2)	Present
Tony Como (Director)	Present
Councilwomen Aponte	Present
Councilmen Morrell	Present

**Chairman Rivas 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 posted on the Borough web site.*

*Notice has been filed with Borough Clerk"*

*Commissioner Rivas asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting.*

*Commissioner Hanley made a motion to approve the minutes from the April meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Prepis, roll call taken Motion carried*

**Director Como sworn in Marina Cambareri as the new Recreation Commissioner.**

**Chairman Rivas announced that Commissioner Grom has tender her resignation effective immediately.**

**Chairman Rivas asked for a motion to open the public portion of the meeting.**

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

**Chairman Rivas asked for a motion to close the public portion of the meeting**

**Commissioner Diore made the motion. 2nd by Commissioner Shoyinka. Roll call taken motion carried. Directors Report**

Director Como stated the Memorial Day Parade will be held on May 29<sup>th</sup>. He asked if the Commissioners would like to volunteer as spotters. If interested please Email me.

Director Como announce that the June meeting will be our last meeting until September. If there is any business that needs attention please bring it to the next meeting.

**Program Report**  
**Commissioner Devito**

**Boys' Basketball Travel & Recreation**

See attached

**Jr Football & Football Cheering**

See attached

**Flag Football**

See attached

**Commissioner Diore**

**Cheering.**

There is a meeting set up for next week to discuss some options for the cheering program

**Commissioner Shoyinka**

**Track and Field:**

- 97 participants
- Season runs from April to June
- Practices are 2x a week
- Meets are on Sundays

**Girls' Volleyball:**

- 28 participants
- Spring season May 9<sup>th</sup>-June 9<sup>th</sup>
- Tuesdays and Thursdays at Lincoln School 6-8pm

**Girls Softball:**

- Total players registered 2023 spring season: 203 players, cost remained the same for each player \$100 for season
- Winter clinics held for 1-6th travels players at NVSA, subsidized cost for players through DGS (\$100/10 weeks, 66% discount)
- CPR clinic held- total of **22** coaches attended

- Players clinic held on 4/2 with 75 players attending. Worked with 6 HS varsity players who volunteered at stations to assist.
- Opening day with Little League Baseball took place on 4/15- march from DHS to Memorial field
- Umpire clinic held for 3/18 with Wayne Briggs for all new umpires in junior division
- Uniforms ordered for all players, coaches, and umpires
- Dumont Softball Day - June 10th

## **Commissioner Hanley**

### **Soccer**

- Gina's Field is fantastic dries out really well Field is great for 9-10-year old
- Trying to stay off Selzer Field as much as possible with all the rain so they don't ruin the field.
- Training on the high school field has been great
- Planning on an open registration for fall sometime in June before school ends.
- Will have to increase money. All costs went up and they lost money because of inventory such as paints, shirts, referee fees.

### **Wrestling**

No report

## **Commissioner Rivas**

### **Men's Softball**

The program was suspended for a week due to the repairs being made to the field.  
Men's softball would like to open registration this summer for the fall season.

### **Roller Hockey**

No update offseason

Joe Kober provided us with a couple of jerseys for the display case

## **Commissioner Algieri**

### **Summer Rec**

There are 567 campers registered.

28 returning counselors.

45 new counselor applications

We would like counselor interviews to start 3<sup>rd</sup> week of May

### **Summer Basketball**

Going to open on Community pass May 15th —June 15th

Tues/Wed/Thurs

630-8:30PM (3rd —5<sup>th</sup> earlier session and 6th— 8 later session)

Girls will be during the early session 6:30PM

Price will be \$85/child

Set to start on June 27th and let it play out to see when it will end. Usually in August families start to take vacations so enrollment drops

Mike Moscarelli will again help with the girl's program

### **Commissioner Prepis**

The Girls0 have 3 teams playing in a spring league

### **Commissioner Grom**

No report

### **Commissioner Petriello**

#### **Little League, Senior Ball**

Little League would like to say thank you to all involved in helping to make Opening Day a success. It was a great day for Dumont Girls Softball and Dumont Little League. Special Thank you to the Town/ DPW to get the park looking great and painting the dugouts/hut.

The season is now underway and going great.

This year DLL has been able to get together with Bergenfield Little League and will be playing some interleague play.

The little league season will run until the first week of June.

Picture Day - 5/13/23

Summer tryouts for Little League and senior baseball are taking place 5/2 & 5/3 for all ages. Looks like they will have multiple teams for each age group. Travel Baseball will begin in June and run until end of July

Senior ball both teams are playing and the season is going well. tryouts for summer baseball are also same days as little league

### **Questions for Recreation**

1- DLL would like to know if the town would replace the fence capping along Pershing St on the Senior ball field

2- The hut has many roof leaks any way we can fix or repair

3- Field House at the Major Field also has many exterior problems that need to be addressed.

### **Councilwoman Aponte**

Reported that there was not a lot of money in the budget this year for recreation. The council is concentrating on road work there will be a number of streets Paved over the summer.

There is an effort to save money on the Memorial Day Parade by not renting a float but having the DPW prepare the float. This year at Dumont Day there will be no fireworks

## **Old Business**

Nothing to discuss.

## **New Business**

Commissioner Devito discussed what permits they will need for the football program this coming season.

Director stated that he did received the applications for the Senior Awards

**Commissioner Hanley made the motion to accept the senior Awards. 2" by commissioner Devito. Roll call taken motion carried.**

**Commissioner Diore made a motion to close the meeting. 2" by Commissioner Hanley. Roll call taken motion carried.**

**Meeting Adjourn at 7:44pm.**

Respectively Submitted



Tony Como  
Recreation Director

# ***Flag Football Report for May 2023***

## **Overview:**

I have been in discussion with Director Como and Chairman Rivas about the Flag Football Program to plan for the upcoming season. The following is the report of what has been going on over the last month

- Last month at our recreation meeting during the public portion, we had about 10 parents who stated their displeasure with the Recreation Commission moving Flag Football from Fall to Summer
- We explained to the group that myself and Commissioner Revis were able to confirm through phone conversation that Frank Collado (The Flag Football Coordinator) was originally on board to move to summer but changed his mind after hearing complaints from his coaches.
- We also thoroughly explained our position on why we wanted to move the program.
- In the discussion we did make it known that we followed all protocols on how to make changes to a program including having the Program coordinator on board with the changes.
- The public did not like our explanation and a "back and forth" continued for about an hour.
- Frank Collado was not present for the meeting and has apparently stepped down as the coordinator for Flag Football
- In conclusion of the public portion of the meeting, we explained to the public that if we don't have a person to run the program in the Summer, we will discuss in closed session what our next steps will be.

# ***Jr Football & Cheer Report for May 2023***

## **Overview:**

The Jr Football Program Coordinator Candice Zayas and I have been working together with The Jr Football Cheer Coordinator Sherry Godlewski and Liaison Joanie Diore. The following is the report of what has been going on recently

- We had another league meeting yesterday 5/2/23 in Walldwick
- The BCJFL will have a new board as voted on yesterday effective immediately.
- We discussed rule changes, future game schedules, fees, etc.
- The league and assignor fees are \$500 and \$195.
- There will be a follow up meeting next month to finalize the discussions above so towns can start planning dates for pre-season camp, home and away games, etc.

***Submitted by: Jeff DeVito***