

May 19, 2020 Rec Meeting

Due to covid the meeting was held via Zoom.

Attendees : Elizabeth, Tom, Michelle, Alissa, Steve, Nick, Derek, Dennis J, Mark Kelly, Mark K, Joanne, Tammy, Van, Everett, Dennis, Roe and Joe

Meeting was called to order by Tom. Compliance notice was read.

Pledge of Allegiance

Review of April meeting minutes.

Motion made to accept meeting with edits by Van and seconded by Alyssa.

Opened to general public. No public comments.

Everett gave an update on the Town Hall meeting on the mercury in the middle school gym.

- The meeting was well attended, approximately 150 residents. Harry Allen stated the mercury concentrations were below the state level. The recommendation is not to tear up the gym floor. There will be some readings done with summer approaching. There will be \$533,000 for tech and remote learning. Graduation will not be live, will be a taped ceremony. The students will have their caps and gowns. A third party will be putting together the video. Chris Balent, new Athletic Director starts on July 1. His previous position was with the New Egypt school. He is a South Plainfield resident. He has good organizational skills.

Director's Report:

Hometown Heroes banners – The banners will be going up tomorrow May 20th. The banners are two sided. The banners will be on Somerset Street to Greenbrook Road. As more banners are ordered they will be put up on Greenbrook road. Keeping the registration open. The banners are mesh.

Green Acres Park was opened last Thursday. The playground area was closed off by DPW. So far there have not been issues. The plumber went in to turn on the water. There is a sewage pump issue. We are getting an estimate on the cost of the repair. The fountains are on, with one not working due to a circuit issue.

Zumba and yoga – are happening via zoom. People are enjoying it.

Fishing Derby: will be held on 9/19 with a Rain date of 9/20. It is the 49th anniversary. There will be no games that morning so kids can attend.

Memorial Day : There will be a small observance led by the mayor at 10 which will be recorded and shared to the residents at 11.

Spring Sports Update: We are on a holding pattern. Ohio has opened with restrictions. Team will be picked at the time of the games. These games will be like pick up games or a clinic if necessary. Derek asked about thermometers for baseball games. Dennis ordered one online and will be checking at local CVS. Derek asked about any other precautions. Ohio is requiring players on bench to wear a mask. No masks required while out in the field. The equipment has been disinfected and the equipment will be

wiped down between players. Tammy also asked about multiple locations and multiple thermometers. The players do need to be signed up to play in the pickup games. The master registration form must be signed by a parent.

Fall Sports Registration: There will not be in person registration, only online and dropping off forms at the Rec office. Flyers will be out via the Evergreen system, maybe Honeywell. There was a review of the Registration flyer and registration form. The player must be 4 years old by July 1st to play. The flyer will be posted on the web and FB. Derek asked about incentives for the coaches. The incentives didn't really work. For soccer the cutoff will be July 15th. Wrestling – there were six players last year. We may need to be sharing services with another town on this sport, even sending them to another town.

Summer Camp: the subcommittee – the chair, assist chair, director and Jennifer DeJesso and her mother have been meeting discussing tweaks to the program. This is all assuming that we can have a summer camp. Camp will be maxed out at 66 campers. There will be groups of six campers, by age and one or two counselors. If the campers need to go inside the Community Center due to weather, the senior citizens will not be there until at least the fall. Anyone after the 66 campers will be on a waiting list. There will be four plans, A, B, C, D. Full time 5 days 9-3, 3 days etc. The rates will not change. The campers' temperature will be taken upon arrival. Anyone with 100.1 or higher will be sent home. Their temperature will be taken in front of their parent. The kids will come in wearing a mask. Counselors will be wearing masks. The nurse will be on site in the morning. The temperature taking is part of the protocol. There will not be trips, big party at the end. Hand sanitizer will be available to clean hands. Alissa asked about the masks for the kids. This all depends on the governor's guidance as it comes out. Rec will follow the Governor/County and Mayor's guidance.

The Farmer's Market: will be back to Saturdays with a drive through plan. There is talk of another day during the week as an additional day. The county will advertise this and promote.

4th of July parade: Unsure yet if the parade is on. Alissa is the chair and looking at alternate dates. Mayor Mike and his wife are the marshals of the parade.

Summer Concerts: more details to follow as guidelines update

Fireworks – the company is flexible and waiting on guidelines.

Old Business

New Business – Mark K asked about additional trash receptacles at Greenbrook Park. There are multiple receptacles.

Public Comments – Christine at 521 Myrtle Ave asked about the Memorial Day ceremonies as she part of the group which presents flowers. Ms Francine Gargano who also attended the meeting told Christine she would explain offline. Also suggested to speak with Rich Phoenix, Borough Clerk, for alternates dates for the parade as he has a lot of borough historical dates.

Francine Gargano mentioned tracking covid for camp. Rec should confirm info with insurance company for coverage.

Meeting adjourned – motion made by Michelle Brown and seconded by Elizabeth Brumbaugh

