ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF RECREATION MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING July 15, 2019

Prior to the start of the meeting the following statement of compliance was read:

Now therefore be advised that the notice requirements of this meeting have been satisfied by providing an annual notice of posting a schedule of such meetings in a conspicuous place in the Municipal Building and by filing a copy of such schedule in the office of the Municipal Clerk which said notices were filed or provided on December 3rd, 2018.

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 PM.

Board Members Present: Scolaro, Fakhoury, Herget, Tisellano

Board Members Absent: Pettigano, Scarpulla, Tommolillo

Recreation Department: Intrieri, standing in for Puglisi (A)

Council Liaison: Balistrieri

Motion made by Scolaro to approve the Meeting Minutes from the June 17th, 2019 meeting. Motion seconded by Fakhoury.

	PETTIGANO	SCOLARO	SCARPULLA	TOMMOLILLO	FAKHOURY	HERGET	TISELLANO
YES	Α	Х	Α	Α	X	X	X
NO							
ABSTAIN							

Motion made by Scolaro to open the public portion of the meeting. Motion seconded by Tisellano.

	PETTIGANO	SCOLARO	SCARPULLA	TOMMOLILLO	FAKHOURY	HERGET	TISELLANO
YES	Α	Х	Α	Α	Х	X	Х
NO							
ABSTAIN							

Motion made by Tisellano to close the public portion of the meeting. Motion seconded by Scolaro.

	PETTIGANO	SCOLARO	SCARPULLA	TOMMOLILLO	FAKHOURY	HERGET	TISELLANO
YES	Α	Х	Α	Α	X	Х	X
NO							
ABSTAIN							

Motion made by Tisellano to open the work portion of the meeting. Motion seconded by Herget.

	PETTIGANO	SCOLARO	SCARPULLA	TOMMOLILLO	FAKHOURY	HERGET	TISELLANO
YES	Α	X	Α	Α	X	X	Х
NO							
ABSTAIN							

Director's Report:

Crew Soccer: Our travel soccer spring season has ended and the awards dinner was held. We are currently offering 2 summer training sessions.

Summer Camp: Is running smoothly and we are already halfway through the season. Intrieri added he number of campers is lower than last year. However, another 50 did register since the meeting in June.

Spray Park: Is open and running. Hours are Monday – Friday 10am – 7pm and weekends are noon – 5pm.

Summer Concert Series:

- July 11th Best of the Eagles While the rain did not hold out for us, we had the band set up inside the gym and the band gave a wonderful concert.
- July 25th David Cedeno Band
- August 14th Tramps Like Us
- August 22nd Big Shot
- August 28th Beatlemania
- September 14th Symphonics, Julian & Dominique, Jersey Four

Parks and Playgrounds: English Avenue Park: All brush and overgrowth was removed from the Dapp Ct. side and the ground was levels and wood chips will be placed on top. Cherry Hill is being placed on the schedule for installation as is the dog park. I am still awaiting more estimates for the BB court at Elmwood Drive Park. Canvas awning are ordered for the spray park and softball players benches. Intrieri added canvas for the other dugouts will be looked into for the future.

Hut: I have ordered a new door and assembly for the hut to replace the door damaged during the break in. Intrieri added the camera are now working in the hut and he electricity problem is fixed.

Fall Recreation Soccer: Registration is now open for grades 3-8 and also 1st and 2nd.

After School & Morning Care Program – Registration opened last week for current enrollees and opens Monday for new enrollees. Intrieri added we have about 60 enrolled already. He also added a lot of parents need the program, but the maximum amount of children the state will allow in the building is 175. Plus, when the bus is full, we have to stay no. Each school only has one bus run.

Recreation Liaison Report:

Councilwoman Balistrieri asked about the dog park and if it will begin in summer. Intrieri stated the process has slowed down and the engineer jumped in with the last word. Intrieri also mentioned it is hard to receive quotes for the basketball quotes. He stated companies never called the department back and it must be difficult to move. Herget mentioned the poles might be entrenched too far in the ground. Intrieri stated the department has waited long for quotes. Councilwoman Balistrieri stated the Mayor and Council asked Puglisi to reach out to local companies but knows there were little to no responses. She stated it is a long process to get the best quote and try to stay local. Intrieri stated the department receives phone calls at least twice a week about the basketball courts and the people in town want things to happen fast.

Councilwoman Balistrieri started a conversation about the tennis courts at the high school. She stated the quote was refused because it was too high. The Board of Education and Council are working in conjunction and are trying to get a lower quote to have this done before the school year begins. Intrieri started a brief conversation about the tennis courts in Paramus. He also mentioned the spray park floor and tennis floors are similar. The spray park floor has cracks in it after a year and little pieces of it end up in the filtration system. Intrieri stated he will be calling the company that installed the floor. Councilwoman mentioned there was talk of a 5-year warranty last year. Intrieri stated maybe the board will talk about the floors in September.

Councilwoman Balistrieri started a conversation about the camp numbers being low. Intrieri stated there is 50 less then last year. A conversation about Wallington's summer camp was held. Scolaro asked if the camp trips are extra. Intrieri stated yes.

A brief conversation was held about the Best of the Eagles concert on July 11th. Councilwoman Balistrieri was unable attend because of the Council meeting, but heard it worked out well even with the rain. Intrieri stated there are two companies and one does not provide rain dates. Balistrieri stated there was a lot of confusion on Facebook and the rain dates are needed on the concert flyer. Intrieri stated a mailer went.

Intrieri briefly mentioned Puglisi and Tommolillo met to discuss the food truck festival.

Councilwoman Balistrieri asked about the canvas for the spray park and dug outs. Intrieri stated they are all ordered and will be taken off after every season. Balistrieri also mentioned the library and said it looks good from what was on Facebook. Tisellano asked about the broken window. Intrieri stated it was fixed.

Intrieri mentioned two bikes have been stolen in one week from outside of the recreation building. He stated the department is working with the police. Fakhoury asked of the thieves were from town. Intrieri stated yes and the department will see what happens with the police.

Scolaro asked about bocce ball at Garden Drive. Intrieri stated it has not been discussed yet. Scolaro mentioned posting pictures of the parks and the themes on the website. Intrieri stated he wants to do an aerial view of the parks when they are all finished.

Scolaro mentioned the idea of fireworks for the Fourth of July. Councilwoman Balistrieri stated it is definitely a conversation the Council has had. She also stated it is a big expense, but the town is moving

along well. Intrieri stated the fire department might not want to have to risk. Tisellano suggested to have fireworks at the marina.

Old Business:

Fakhoury asked about the broke fence at English Ave. Intrieri stated he think Puglisi took care of it. Fakhoury stated he will drive by and let him know. Intrieri said the DPW will stay on top of it.

New Business:

Commissioner Reports:

Pettigano –
Scolaro – Progress.
Scarpulla –
Tommolillo –
Fakhoury – Progress.
Herget – No report.
Tisellano – Progress.

Motion made by Scolaro to close the work portion of the meeting. Motion seconded by Tisellano.

	PETTIGANO	SCOLARO	SCARPULLA	TOMMOLILLO	FAKHOURY	HERGET	TISELLANO
YES	Α	Х	Α	A	Х	Х	X
NO							
ABSTAIN							

Motion made by Fakhoury to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Scolaro.

	PETTIGANO	SCOLARO	SCARPULLA	TOMMOLILLO	FAKHOURY	HERGET	TISELLANO
YES	Α	X	Α	Α	X	Х	Х
NO							
ABSTAIN							

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 PM.