

ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF RECREATION
 MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
 March 24, 2014

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 January 15, 2014.

Chairman, Bob Burke called the meeting or order at 7:40 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Myles Garvey, Bob Burke, Bob Calabro and Sandy Balistrieri

Commissioners Absent: Wally Nowosielski, Rich DeLorenzo and Brenda Huffman

Recreation Department – Donna Puglisi and Romano Intriari

Council Liaison – Councilman Pettigano

Council: Joe Dombrowski

A motion was made by Bob Calabro to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2014 meeting. Motion seconded by Myles Garvey.

	RB	BC	BH	WN	MG	RDL	SB
YES	X	X	A	A	X	A	X
NO							
ABSTAIN							

A motion was made by Myles Garvey to open the public portion of the meeting. Motion seconded by Sandy Balistrieri.

	RB	BC	BH	WN	MG	RDL	SB
YES	X	X	A	A	X	A	X
NO							
ABSTAIN							

Public Speakers –

Ken Van Rye – Requested that the basketball banner have a header placed on the banner so that people would know what the banner was about. Mr. Van Rye asked what happened to the wrestling banner. Donna Puglisi stated that it was delivered to the High School since the program is now a High School Program. Mr. Van Rye then asked if pool tables can be replaced in the game room. Donna stated that there was no room in the game room for pool tables and they would be broken easily.

Peter Scolaro – Informed the Commission that the EP Wrecking Crew has 11 teams with a total of 150 kids. The Memorial Day Tournament is up to 16 teams. Mr. Scolaro invited the Commissioners to the bonfire that the soccer program will be having on April 4th on Boro Field.

A motion was made by Bob Calabro to close the public portion of the meeting. Motion seconded by Myles Garvey.

	RB	BC	BH	WN	MG	RDL	SB
YES	X	X	A	A	X	A	X
NO							
ABSTAIN							

A motion was made by Bob Calabro to open the work portion of the meeting. Motion seconded by Sandy Balistrieri.

	RB	BC	BH	WN	MG	RDL	SB
YES	X	X	A	A	X	A	X
NO							
ABSTAIN							

Director's Report

Donna requested that the Commissioner's review the Director's Report and asked if there were any questions. Donna stated that the request for the usage of St. Leo's for summer camp was denied. Dr. Tomko informed Donna that if construction begins during the summer months, the rec summer camp would have to be moved to an alternate location such as the Middle School.

Donna stated that the Easter Egg Hunt will be held on April 19, 2014 at 10:00a.m.

Community Day – Donna stated that she has already been receiving donations for Community Day from new donors.

Donna informed the Commissioners of a seminar that she went to regarding ADA Accessibility Audits. She gave the Commission a brief overview of the new standards. Myles Garvey asked Donna to look into any grants that can be obtained for converting the building into ADA regulations.

Recreation Van –

Rich DeLorenzo had asked Donna to put the new van in the Capital Budget. Donna called to get quotes on the Chrysler Town & Country Touring Van since the recreation department would need the

passenger space in the van and the lowest price was \$27,492.50. After a lengthy discussion, a motion was made by Myles Garvey to approve funds not to exceed \$28,500 for the purchase of the van. Motion seconded by Bob Calabro.

	RB	BC	BH	WN	MG	RDL	SB
YES	X	X	A	A	X	A	X
NO							
ABSTAIN							

Summer Camp – Donna distributed a list of summer camp employees to the Commission. Camp will begin on June 30, 2014 and end of August 15, 2014. There will be 1 week of extended camp.

A motion was made by Bob Calabro to approve the list of Summer Camp Employees as received from Donna Puglisi. Motion seconded by Sandy Balistreri.

	RB	BC	BH	WN	MG	RDL	SB
YES	X	X	A	A	X	A	X
NO							
ABSTAIN							

Temporary Employee – Donna informed the Commission that she has looked into the temporary replacement for her office employee who will be out on sick leave. Donna gave the Commission an overview of the pricing and after a brief discussion, a motion was made by Bob Calabro to hire an entry level temporary employee for the recreation department at a cost of \$18.00 per hour. Motion seconded by Sandy Balistreri. Upon motion, it was determined to hire the temporary employee 3 days prior to the Secretary leaving.

	RB	BC	BH	WN	MG	RDL	SB
YES	X	X	A	A	X	A	X
NO							
ABSTAIN							

Liaison Pettigano –

Councilman Pettigano stated that he spoke with Scott Karcz about the parks and the hope is that the fields will be dry soon and Scott will be able to get the fields ready by opening day which is April 12, 2014.

Myles Garvey asked if there were any additional damages done to the fencing and if so, would Scott be able to have them fixed before opening day. Councilman Pettigano stated he would speak with Scott and if there were any broken fencing, he would have Scott repair them.

A request was made by Rich DeLorenzo for all Commissioners to peruse Boswell Engineers Master Plan.

Director's Report Approved

	RB	BC	BH	WN	MG	RDL	SB
YES	X	X	A	A	X	A	X
NO							
ABSTAIN							

Old Business

English Ave – The Commission asked for the plants for the new English Avenue project from Boswell. Donna will get them from Boswell.

Gilbert Ave – Myles Garvey asked Councilman Pettigano and Councilman Dombrowski to see if Garfield was asked to clear out Gilbert Ave. Both Councilman Pettigano and Councilman Dombrowski stated that they would look into this.

Hockey Pads –

A discussion took place regarding the purchasing of additional pads for the hockey program. Bob Calabro stated that these pads would also be durable for roller hockey or outside hockey. A visit to the storage room was taken by the Commission. Upon return, a motion was made by Myles Garvey to purchase additional hockey pads at a cost not to exceed \$6,200. After a lengthy discussion, a motion to table this item to the September meeting was made so that the recreation department can work on better storage and shelving for the storage room.

Bob Burke informed the Commission of a meeting that will be held on April 10, 2014 with the Mayor and Council.

Senior Center Construction – A discussion took place regarding the sprucing up on the senior dining room. It was decided to table this item to the April meeting.

Cameras in Parking Lot –

Bob Calabro requested that an additional camera be placed in the parking lot as the source of lighting is poor. Donna stated she would obtain pricing for cameras or lights. It was discussed to upgrade the soffits outside the building. Donna will obtain an additional quote for the upgrade.

Committee Reports

Brenda Huffman – Absent

Wally Nowosielecki – Absent

Bob Calabro – Hockey ended on a good note. There were 70 kids registered. They had good volunteers. Bob stated that the Little League safety analysis has been approved by the Little League Commission.

Sandy Balistrieri – Sandy asked Donna to email her what the events for the Recreation Department are so that she can begin getting involved. Sandy asked Donna to get a date from Dr. Tomko as to when

they think that move for summer camp from Gilbert to the Middle School would take place. Sandy stated that the specs for this project are not done as yet and the move might not have to happen. Sandy requested a copy of the architect's plans for the hut building. Donna will forward a copy to Sandy.

Myles Garvey – Asked Donna about the bathrooms in the recreation building and if they were ADA accessible. Donna stated the bathrooms are ADA accessible. Myles gave a brief overview of gym equipment that he thought would be useful for the recreation department and summer camp. The equipment was a wheel that simulates mountain climbing and could be used in the game room. Myles will look into this equipment and give the information to Donna.

Bob Burke – Basketball is winding down and will have a post season meeting with the coaches. Bob would like the recreation department to obtain quotes for adjustable backboards on 4 rims in the main gym.

A motion was made by Bob Calabro to close the work portion of the meeting. Motion seconded by Myles Garvey

	RB	BC	BH	WN	MG	RDL	SB
YES	X	X	A	A	N	A	X
NO							
ABSTAIN							

There being no further business, a motion was made by Myles Garvey to close the recreation commission meeting at 9:51pm. Motion seconded by Sandy Balistrieri

	RB	BC	BH	WN	MG	RDL	SB
YES	X	X	A	A	N	A	X
NO							
ABSTAIN							