

ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF RECREATION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
July 22, 2013

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 e 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 21, 2013

Chairman, Rich DeLorenzo called the meeting or order at 7:52 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Myles Garvey, Bob Burke, Rich DeLorenzo, and Brenda Huffman
Commissioner Bob Calabro – 8:10pm

Commissioners absent – Vi Shamah and Wally Nowosielecki

Recreation Department – Donna Puglisi

Recreation Liaison – Councilman Tom Conboy

A motion was made by Brenda Huffman to approve the minutes of the June 24, 2013 minutes. Motion seconded by Bob Burke. There being no quorum, the motion was tabled to August meeting.

A motion was made by Myles Garvey to open the public portion of the meeting. Motion seconded by Bob Burke. All approved.

Public Speakers

Kasmir Zakowski
Kim Zakowski

A motion was made by Brenda Huffman to close the public portion of the meeting. Motion seconded by Myles Garvey. All approved.

A motion was made by Brenda Huffman to open the work portion of the meeting. Motion seconded by Myles Garvey. All Approved.

Bob Burke suggested that the Recreation Department look into a reverse 911 system. Bob Calabro suggested the one-call system that is used by Little league. Donna Puglisi will look into these systems.

Security Camera Proposal – Tabled to August meeting

Painting of Partition - After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Bob Calabro engage in the hiring of Lorbin Painting Contractors for option #3 of the price quote in painting the partition. Motion seconded by Myles Garvey. Vote passed 4-1 with Bob Burke voting against.

Bike Rack – After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Bob Burke to purchase and install a bike rack with concrete padding at a cost not to exceed \$2,500.00. Motion seconded by Bob Calabro. Vote passed 3-2 with Rich DeLorenzo and Myles Garvey voting against.

Donna Puglisi requested the hiring a an additional bus driver – Resolution R-7-2-13. Motion to approve Resolution R-7-2-13 made by Myles Garvey, Seconded by Bob Calabro. All approved.

Open Space Grant –

Discussion took place regarding finishing English Avenue to extend the road and add additional parking, new backstop with fencing, new benches and removal of tree stump. After a lengthy discussion, a motion was made by Bob Calabro to complete the English Avenue Project with an ask of \$80,000 with a match of \$80,000. Motion seconded by Myles Garvey. All approved.

Rich DeLorenzo requested that a master plan be done for all parks within Elmwood Park. Donna will look into the cost of a master plan.

Bob Burke – stated when the new floors are done in the gymnasium, the basketball court can be decreased by 12-18 inches. All members agreed.

Field Permits – Rich DeLorenzo and Donna met regarding field permits. Boro field will now be divided into 3 separate fields. A lengthy discussion took place regarding field permits. It was noted that the Bomber Organization and EP United will need to present all needed documents to the Recreation Department. Donna will send a registered return receipt letter to the presidents of each organization.

Rich DeLorenzo stated that a meeting should be scheduled with all organization requesting field permits. No more than 2 individuals from each organization will be invited. Meeting scheduled for Monday, July 29, 2013 at 7:00p.m. in the Recreation Center.

Liaison Report

Councilman Conboy informed the Commission that the governing body asked why summer camp charges were so low. Donna stated that the cost of summer camp was increased over last year and that out of towners for summer camp were charged more.

Councilman Conboy informed the Commission that the Commission was under attack by Councilman Pettigano at the last Council meeting. An extensive review of over 25-31 towns were taken and the Commissions did not match the town ordinances. Councilman Pettigano has issues with the Commission's authority.

Commissioners Reports

Bob Calabro – Hockey end of year party – The BBQ and spray park party was a huge success. Bob also requested that the Recreation Department look into security lights on Pine Street as he has noticed graffiti there.

Myles Garvey – Stated he found the Council meeting very offensive to the Recreation Board. Myles stated that the interview should be with all Board members and not a select few. The EP Recreation Board has done a decent job and the Recreation Director has turned things around. Mr. Garvey stated that it was a foolish statement by Councilman Pettigano who didn't do his homework and the statement was politically motivated. He owes the Recreation Commission an apology and that he is totally disgusted with Councilman Pettigano's manner and behavior.

Bob Burke – Progress

Rich DeLorenzo – Agrees with Myles Garvey.

A motion was made by Bob Calabro to close the work portion of the meeting. Motion seconded by Bob Burke. All approved.

Executive session was tabled until the August 26, 2013 meeting.

A motion was made at 12:42 a.m. to close the Recreation meeting by Myles Garvey. Seconded by Bob Calabro. All approved.

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