

**MINUTES OF THE
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COUNCIL
JANUARY 26, 2023
AMENDED**

PRESENT: Valerie Cancro, Peter Cipriano, Richard Ellrodt,
Daniela Goldman, Ian Harris, Nicole Caviola, Mary Shah

ZOOM: Jennifer Castelhana, Jennifer Cayea, Meg Kaplan,
Melissa LeSavage

ABSENT: None

Meeting started at 7:30PM at the Lewisboro Parks and Recreation Department Office located in the Onatru Farm Park Main House.

I. Minutes

Postponed

II. New Business

Katie Coluccini - She is newly hired to work for the Recreation Department as a Recreation Leader who will oversee camp and recreation programs. We are excited to work with Katie.

Pickleball Courts at Town Park - Nicole met with Sport Tech to discuss the courts at Town Park including post tension concrete vs asphalt. This would cost approximately \$300,000 for the concrete pad and 8 pickleball courts. It was discussed that access to the courts would be by cutting into the hill to make parking available. Four pickleball courts could be made per one tennis court. A donation in the amount of \$50,000 was made to the Town for the proposed pickleball courts.

Ted Lawrence - 9ers Baseball - He is looking for space to play. He is currently the John Jay Varsity Baseball Coach. He discussed using Fox Valley as it is a major league field. He would want to turf both fields and have indoor training on the upper field. He would want to have 50% control of the fields

and would like a contract in the amount of 25 years. His proposal was brought to another town nearby and it was declined. PRAC would like Nicole to reach out to this town to find out why it was declined and also speak to the LBA.

Howler's Requirements - There were a number of Howler's participants who were not showing up to any Recreation games or practices when they knew it was a requirement in playing on the Howler's team. At times, there were not enough players on the court for recreation games. Nicole and Michael made a decision regarding this and stated that all participants have to make 5 games in order to continue with the Howlers.

PRAC would like Tyler Sayre and Jordan Moody to come to a PRAC meeting at the end of the season to discuss their program.

Fine Day Fair - Home and Garden Show - They would like to hold this event on June 3rd and 4th and would like to work with the Library and Garden Club. It would be held from 9:00AM - 4:00PM each day. A discussion was had as this weekend is the same as the opening day of the new playground at Town Park. Many of the individuals who attend the Fine Day Fair are not Town Residents so many of the PRAC members feel it wouldn't conflict. Individuals can attend both events if they would like as well.

Concert Series and Movie Night in the Park - Victor Ponzo has reached out to Nicole to see if we would be interested in having a concert at the Town Park. He would like to do these on Saturdays. Nicole has to get back to him to discuss further.

Library Fair is set for Saturday, September 9th.

III. Old Business

Lewisboro Playground Committee Update - The grand opening for the playground will be held on Saturday, June 3rd with a raindate of Sunday, June 4th. The bricks have been ordered with a total of 247 to be placed in a basket weave pattern at the park. As of now the equipment is in. The playground committee is looking to put some type of flooring in the gaga pit.

IV. Recreation Supervisor's Report

Winter programs are up and running including basketball and ski. A food drive was held in November and the tree and menorah lighting was held in December with good turnouts.

Teen Treks registration will be held on Saturday, February 5th.

Vista Park is having a cleanup by individuals in the neighborhood.

V. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:20PM. The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Council will be held on Thursday, February 23rd at 7:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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