

Wallington Board of Recreation

Meeting-Minutes

May 4, 2021

- Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance at 7:35 p.m.
- Roll Call

Voting Members

Brynczka	<u>P</u> (7:40 p.m.)
Graham (P)	<u>P</u>
Kassteen	<u>A</u>
Melfi	<u>P</u>
Preinfalk (T)	<u>P</u>
Wesolowski (VP)	<u>P</u>
Zagaja (S)	<u>A</u>

Non-Voting Members

Alternate #1:

Alternate #2:

Recreation Director: Popek P

- Approval of the Prior Meeting's Minutes (April 6)

Motion to accept was made by Preinfalk at 7:37 p.m., and seconded by Wesolowski

--approved by all members in attendance

- Treasurer's Report

- \$742.71 was spent on paddles and nets for the table-tennis program

- \$2,630 was paid to GroundPro for field maintenance at Dul Field and Centennial Field

- \$5,405.60 currently remains in the budget

**Motion to accept was made by Melfi at 7:47 p.m., and seconded by Wesolowski**

--approved by all members in attendance

- Presentations

-1) Zachary Tall (aikido instructor) from Aikido Schools of NJ

-has been practicing aikido for twelve years

-has taught classes for children as young as four years old

-is an 8<sup>th</sup>-grade, history teacher with special-ed. certification

-would like children to wear a T-shirt and sweatpants to classes

-2) Director of Summer Recreation, Charlie Vellis

-summer program will operate from June 28 to August 6, on weekdays  
from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

-twenty-five children per group with one counselor and one to two volunteers  
supervising a group

-there will be three buses for every field trip to account for social distancing

-a health director has to be hired prior to the start of the program

-basketball hoops need to be installed at the Little League complex

-registration fee should probably be raised to offset costs

-the registration fee will cover Powerhouse Studios event  
at the Little League complex

- Old Business

- 1) Summer Recreation

- motion to increase the registration fee for the summer program to \$300 was made by Melfi, seconded by Wesolowski, and approved by all members in attendance

- Graham said that he would contact the borough administrator to inquire about any mandated, health protocols by county/state agencies and to seek guidance on securing a health director for the program

- 2) recreation programs at the Knights hall (recreation center)

- Graham said that he would contact the borough administrator to confirm the employment status of the new instructors and to seek guidance on the background-check process

- Graham advised Popek to meet with Troy Steiger (caretaker of the Knights hall) in the coming days to review protocols for maintenance of the facility

- 3) high-school field rental to Alliance Leagues

- tabled by Graham without objection by any members in attendance

- 4) website for Wallington Recreation

- Graham advised Wesolowski to secure an invoice from Michal Dec for his services

- 5) shed

- Brynczka reported that the storage shed would be delivered next week

- New Business

- grant application for \$30,000 was submitted by the borough's grant writer, Joe DiFranco of Bruno Associates after weeks of consultation with Councilman Androwis and Graham

- Communications to the Board

- letter of request for a donation was received from Wallington Little League

- Smack (local band) sent an e-mail to inquire about summer concerts in Wallington

- letter from Wallington Little League to inform the Rec. Board about state-tournament games that will take place on borough fields from July 15 to July 19

- Use of Facility Requests

- n/a

- Open to the Public

**Motion to open was made by** Graham **at** 9:34 p.m., **and seconded by** Brynczka

--approved by all members in attendance

**Motion to close was made by** Graham **at** 9:34 p.m., **and seconded by** Wesolowski

--approved by all members in attendance

- Tabled Matters

- high-school field rental by Alliance Leagues

- Adjournment

**Motion to adjourn was made by** Wesolowski **at** 9:35 p.m., **and seconded by** Brynczka

--approved by all members in attendance