

Wallington Board of Recreation

Meeting-Minutes

September 13, 2022

- Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance at 7:37 p.m.

- Roll Call

Voting Members

Bogusz P

Brynczka A

Graham (P) P

Kassteen P

Preinfalk (T) P

Roman (S) A

Wesolowski (VP) P

Non-Voting Members

Alternate #1: Melfi A

Alternate #2:

Recreation Director: Popek A

- Approval of the Prior Meeting's Minutes (August 2 & July 5)

**Motion to accept the minutes from August 2 was made by Wesolowski at 7:38 p.m., and seconded by Preinfalk**

--approved by all members in attendance (except for Kassteen – abstention)

- Treasurer's Report

-pending receipt of the check for rental of the high-school field by the adult, soccer league

-revenue from the check for rental of the high-school field will be applied to the outstanding payment to the Knights of Columbus for use of its hall in April (\$1200) and May (\$1200)

-may still owe Rutherford Swim Association a payment for our spring, swimming program

-current balance of the 2022 budget is \$17,145 (without earmarks)

**Motion to accept was made by** Wesolowski **at** 8:15 p.m. **, and seconded by** Bogusz

--approved by all members in attendance (except for Preinfalk – abstention)

- Presentations

-Charlie Vellis (Director of Summer Recreation)

- Summer Recreation concluded with a cash surplus of \$5,261.27
- there is currently a balance of \$10,750.23 in the Summer Recreation Trust Sub-Account
- returning, high-school counselors received an eighty-cent raise in wage this season

-Dariusz Wesolowski (President of SC Vistula)

- SC Vistula would like to establish a recreation-soccer program in Wallington in the spring of 2023 (April – June)
- there will be two, one-hour sessions per week
- all sessions will operate according to the model that has been devised by coaches at Legia Warsaw (professional, soccer club in Poland)
- there will be a ratio of ten players to one coach or fifteen players to two coaches
- program will be for boys and girls, ages 4 and up
- coaches will be paid \$25 per session – with the aim of hiring coaches who reside in Wallington
- option of eight weeks (\$95 per player) or ten weeks (\$120 per player)

- Old Business

- 1) recreation programs

- Executive Committee will meet this week to discuss the logistics/feasibility of running programs this fall (Oct. 10 – Dec. 2)

- 2) Nelkin Park

- a return-of-bid date has been set for September 27 by the Bergen County Department of Parks and Recreation for the refurbishment of both the tennis and basketball courts as well as the addition of a pickle-ball court

- 3) Small-sided Soccer Court (on Hathaway Street)

- the Borough Council is looking into the legal status of the roller rink on Hathaway Street as a Green Acres site – as there could be rules/regulations that preclude its transformation into a turf court for soccer practice/games
    - cost of court construction is approximately \$70,000 – funded by PDA Soccer

- New Business

- Kassteen reported that Del Bethea will again be director of the recreation-basketball program

- Kassteen will begin planning next month's for Trunk or Treat

- motion to provide SC Vistula with access to Centennial Field for its recreation-soccer program from April through June 2023 was made by Graham, seconded by Kassteen, and approved by all members in attendance (except for Kassteen – disapproval)

- Communications to the Board

- WERC Warriors (Competition Cheer) – reimbursement request

- motion to reimburse Competition Cheer in the amount of \$1500 for choreography lessons was made by Kassteen, seconded by Wesolowski, and approved by all members in attendance

- Use of Facility Requests

- n/a

- Open to the Public

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

--approved by all members in attendance

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

--approved by all members in attendance

- Tabled Matters

- approval of the minutes for the meeting on July 5

- Adjournment

**Motion to adjourn was made by** Wesolowski **at** 9:37 p.m., **and seconded by** Graham

--approved by all members in attendance