

Wallington Board of Recreation

Meeting-Minutes for March 7, 2017

- Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Joe Brunacki, and was accompanied by the Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
 - Brunacki P
 - Brynczka P
 - Calabrese P
 - Ferrara P
 - Graham P
 - Ivanicki P
 - Melfi P
 - Alternate #1: Selvaggio P
 - Alternate #2: Wesolowski P
 - Recreation Director: Popek P
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- Approval of the Minutes of the February meeting
 - Nick Melfi requested changes to the February meeting-minutes:
 - 1) On page 2 of the Feb. meeting-minutes, it states: **“Melfi disagreed with Graham’s request for a monthly accounting of the budget, and Melfi disagreed with Graham’s call for more deliberation on appropriations to sports programs like football that are seeing a decline in registration”** – Melfi would like this to be redacted
 - 2) Melfi would like to add the following to page 2 of the Feb. meeting-minutes: **“Graham said that football is a failing program”**
 - Motion to approve the Feb. meeting-minutes was made by Beth Ferrara at 7:37 p.m., and it was seconded by Melfi
 - Motion approved by Brunacki, Brynczka, Calabrese, Ferrara, Ivanicki, Melfi (Graham disapproved)

- Treasurer's Report

- T.J. Calabrese mentioned that a (preliminary) budget had been disseminated to members of the Rec. Board, and it shows that there is \$46,693 to spend on programs
- Dennis Graham made a motion to require that Treasurer Calabrese present a monthly report, in writing, to the Rec. Board to account for all money being dispersed to programs – per Article VI of the bylaws of the Rec. Board
- Graham's motion was not seconded by any member of the Rec. Board
- Graham pointed out that the Rec. Board should not be donating/dispersing any funds to any program unless the Trust Account for each sports program demonstrates a legitimate need for the funding – per Article XII of the bylaws of the Rec. Board
- President Brunacki and Dave Popek did not believe it to be necessary for each sports program to account for every expense
- Melfi suggested changes to the bylaws regarding the financing of programs
- Graham pointed out that the preliminary budget did not reflect the required funding for field maintenance – 20% of the total budget per Article XII of the bylaws of the Rec. Board
- Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Ferrara at 8:13 p.m., and it was seconded by Melfi
- Motion was approved by Brunacki, Brynczka, Calabrese, Ferrara, Graham, Ivanicki, and Melfi

- Open to the Public

- Motion to open the meeting to the public was made by Melfi at 8:13 p.m., and it was seconded by Tom Brynczka
- Motion was approved by Brunacki, Brynczka, Calabrese, Ferrara, Graham, Ivanicki, Melfi
- Mr. Jonathan Radlove – President of Wallington Junior Football – stated that the junior-football program was not failing as there are one hundred thirty-eight kids participating in that sport; he also stated that arguments over funding from the Rec. Board in the amount of \$1500 was ridiculous considering the tens of thousands of dollars that are needed to keep the program going
- Graham explained to Mr. Radlove that he had no intention of taking funding away from the junior-football program, and that any statement to the contrary was based on his questioning of how funding from the Rec. Board for programs like junior football was being dispersed and then accounted for
- Wallington residents, Mr. Dave Bako and Mr. Khaldoun Androwis both requested that all members of the Rec. Board do a better job of communicating with one another and

conducting business with more civility

- Motion to close the meeting to the public was made by Melfi at 8:30 p.m., and it was seconded by Calabrese
- Motion was approved by Brunacki, Brynczka, Calabrese, Ferrara, Graham, Ivanicki, Melfi
- Correspondence
 - No correspondence to file
- Organization Reports from Liaisons

- Little League (Tom Brynczka)

- Enrollment is up for this season

- Pre-season training has begun with indoor practice in the gym at the Gavlak School

- Season officially begins on April 22

- There is a pasta dinner on June 3; there is a movie night on June 9; there is a BBQ on June 10

- Soccer (Joe Brunacki)

- Registration will be begin in April/May, and will be online (using the youth-sports-management site set up by Dick's Sporting Goods)

- Football (Nick Melfi)

- No report

- Basketball (Wendy Ivanicki)

- Program for next season will be reorganized

- Bowling (Beth Ferrara)

-The schedule for next season will be determined based on the schedule for the basketball season so that there is no conflict

- Recreation Program Directors

- Recreation Direction (Dave Popek)

-The basketball season ended last weekend

- Buildings & Grounds (Nick Melfi)

-Joe Brunacki, Ray Piela, and Nick Melfi will survey Dul Field to see if improvements are necessary

- Fields (Joe Brunacki)

-Centennial Field has a problem with fencing

-Dul Field is ready to use for softball as new clay was added last year

-Water is not on at any field

- Communications (Tom Brynczka)

-Easter event was publicized on the website of the Borough Council, and was also announced on the Facebook page of the Rec. Board

- Easter Program (Wendy Ivanicki/Dennis Graham)

-Event details: Saturday, April 1, 1 – 4 p.m. in the high-school gym

- Halloween Program (TJ Calabrese/Joe Brunacki)

-No report

- Christmas Program (Beth Ferrara/Tom Brynczka)

-No report

- Summer Recreation (TJ Calabrese/Joe Brunacki)

-Event details: Concerts will be on July 18, July 25, and August 29 at the Little League Field

-Registration for summer camp will be held from the end of April until the middle of May; flyers to publicize the camp in schools first need approval from Superintendent Albro

- Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn was made by Calabrese at 8:40 p.m., and it was seconded by Ferrara
- Motion was approved by Brunacki, Brynczka, Calabrese, Ferrara, Graham, Ivanicki, Melfi