

**MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP
RECREATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
May 6, 2019**

Commissioner Simels opened the Meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Reading of Adequate Notice by Commissioner Simels

Roll Call: Present: Simels, Adornetti, Skowronski, Russell, Aprile, Casale, Rosenfeld
Absent: Morris, Kilcomons
Committeeman Gary Dorfman attending by phone

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: April 1, 2019

C/Adornetti made a Motion to approve and C/Russell offered a Second. Roll Call Vote:
Simels, Adornetti, Russell, Aprile, and Rosenfeld vote yes to approve the minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Opened at 7:34 p.m.

Anthony Italiano, 2 Candlewood Court, here for soccer, Rec liaison for MUTS. The spring instructional program started about 2 weeks ago. We have about 90 kids and we have a lot of MUTS coaches and trainers volunteering their time. It's been a blast so far. Everybody's coming back. The little kids love it too. MUTS is doing what we call a Parents Tournament like a role reversal type thing. It's on Friday, June 14. Each team forms a team of parents and they play a small 3 v 3 game or a 4 v. 4. This year they wanted to bring in a food truck and a DJ. Can we have a food truck and can we have a DJ?

Secretary Andrew noted that he followed up with the Clerk and with Dan. As long as it's not in the street but in the parking lot, it's okay. There's no ordinance preventing you from having the food truck. The food truck has to be a vender that has a Board of Health Certification so if you are using Vesuvio's , you are OK. As far as the DJ, there is no ordinance preventing you from having one.

C/Simels asked if it is just for fun or is it a fundraiser?

Italiano replied that it was a fundraiser. There is a young man on one of the travel teams whose father is very, very ill with terminal cancer and they are going to do a fundraiser for the family. Every year going forward, they are going to do some fundraiser, but we will try and serve the community first.

C/Adornetti asked for the date. Anthony noted that it is scheduled for Friday, June 14th.

Jordan Lisnow, 3 Ella Drive. Boy Scout Troop 116. Presented an idea for his Eagle Scout project. The project would entail placing a sign at the Rocky Brook Playground designating the appropriate ages for the equipment. A design of the sign and post was presented. Secretary DeFelice noted that the playground equipment in the parks is required to have signage and this would be a benefit. C/Russell asked if anyone is developing guidelines to have uniformity for the various signs needed in the park. DeFelice replied that they are looking at guidelines for Millstone Park, but do not have any guidelines for the other parks. C/Rosenfeld inquired about the material being used and the funding for the project. Jordon replied that he can adjust the material to the town's specifications and that funding would be by his family.

Public Comment closed at 7:49 p.m.

Committeeman Gary Dorman has 3 items to discuss. First, he wants to see if the tennis program can be resurrected. Second, he wants to incorporate Millstone Township's 175th birthday into Millstone Day. Third, he wants to see if coaches for our programs can get access to CPR training. C/Simels noted that the commission would look into offering CPR classes. Secretary Defelice noted that the Tennis program is being revived and summer is already set. Fall should be ready shortly.

Adult Programs – Nothing to report

Pop Warner – C/Casale noted that practices are scheduled to begin 8-1 and equipment handout scheduled for July 30th. Pop Warner has a fundraiser scheduled for 8-24 the day before the first game or scrimmage scheduled for 8-25.

Flag Football – Rick Franzen and A&M redbirds are looking at flag football in conjunction with Recreation. Meetings are scheduled over the next 2 weeks to work out details. Some feel that flag football will detract from football enrollment and others feel it can be compatible.

Soccer – C/Simels asked Secretary DeFelice to review the budget. Secretary DeFelice noted that soccer was able to use old shirts for the program this year. A new set of 8x24 goals were purchased for Field 8.

Field Hockey – C/Skowronski requested secretary DeFelice to reach out to the coach who ran the program last year.

Basketball – Summer basketball needs volunteers to get going. C/Aprile noted that the courts at Abate have significant cracking.

Wrestling – Nothing to report

Lacrosse – C/Skowronski noted that May 18th is the date for Lacrosse play date. The fields could use some TLC. Program running well

Tennis – Secretary DeFelice noted that we have an instructor lined up for the Summer program. We are waiting on quotes from other facilities for instructors. Based on the instructor costs, we would need a minimum of 3 registrations per class. Other towns have assistants work with the tennis instructor for class sizes above 5. They use HS students that play tennis and pay them \$10/hr. Finance would treat tennis assistants the same way we pay Junior Board members for basketball. C/Adornetti asked if the commission needs to have a motion to allow for tennis assistants. Secretary DeFelice replied that it would be necessary. C/Adornetti asked if the current tennis fees would support the use of assistants. Secretary DeFelice confirmed that it would since the assistants would only be used when registration for a class exceeded 5. A class would not be run if recreation did not receive at least 3 registrants. A discussion about the town the assistants should be from ensued.

C/Simels made a motion to allow the tennis instructor to bring in high school students to assist them at a rate of \$10/hour. C/Rosenfeld offered a second. Simels, Adornetti, Russell, Aprile, Casale, Rosenfeld and Skowronski all voted in favor.

Summer Camp – The bus bids came in and GST was awarded the contract. All trips were booked unfortunately one of our popular trips, OMG Pizza, has lost their lease and will be closing in May. We are looking for a replacement trip. We currently have 150 registered for camp. The late fee begins May 27th.

Millstone Day –C/Russell noted that we will look to incorporate the 175th anniversary into the Millstone Day event.

Holiday Lighting – Nothing to report

Building & Grounds – C/Aprile noted that he has viewed Abate and Wagner. We are looking to get prices on the costs of repairing the courts at Abate. At Wagner, the press box posts need to be repaired. Secretary DeFelice noted that there are significant costs to making the proper repairs to the parks. The swings at Wagner need to be moved to comply with safety requirements. The township is looking for ideas on what improvements can be made to Millstone Park to incorporate more recreational activity. C/Skowronski asked if the fields would be available to recreational programs in the Spring. Are there any plans to help improve the playing conditions at Wagner Park. Secretary DeFelice noted that the only way to improve the fields at Wagner is to rest them for a period of time. Right now, the fields are not able to be rested. Millstone Park was supposed to be an option to allow Wagner to be rested but with the delay, that is no longer an option this year. C/Rosenfeld asked if the fields at MP are being re-seeded. Secretary DeFelice noted that the contractor is re-seeding the fields.

New Business – C/Jared Rosenfeld noted that the park rules proposed by DPW had some information in it that he wanted to address. He will pass the information to Dan at DPW.

Seeing no further business, C/Adornetti made a Motion to Adjourn and C/Aprile offered a second. The Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew DeFelice