

JOINT RECREATION BOARD
March 28, 2013

A meeting of the Recreation Board of Princeton was held on March 28, 2013 in the Princeton Recreation Department (PRD) lower level Conference Room, 380 Witherspoon Street.

Present: Ms. Rogers, Dr. Nosker, Ms. Olivares-Weber & Mr. Koontz

Also present: Mr. Moorhead, Mr. Marroli, Ms. Herlihy

Absent: Dr. Cahill, Ms. Germaine, Ms. Butler, Mr. Frawley, Mr. Zucosky, Ms. Asagra Stanley, Mr. Stentz, Ms. Budline and Mr. DiGregorio

Activities

Mr. Marroli reported on the following activities:

- PAWS Wrestling season has recently ended. Season-ending banquet scheduled for 4/18/13 at Mercer Oaks Golf Course.
- Dillon Basketball completed its 42nd season on March 9
- Monthly Special Needs dance was held on 3/8/13 with 33 participants. Next dance scheduled for 4/12/13. Annual Special Needs Prom scheduled for 5/3/13
- Interviews are complete for summer camp staff. Hiring process is underway.
- PRD is having trouble getting commitment from Princeton Public Schools (PPS) for use of gyms this summer. PPS initially approved our use for basketball camps but has recently said they might have a conflict due to maintenance in the gyms. We have asked for a final answer from PPS because we need to make alternate plans if the PPS gyms are not available. PRD is having trouble getting a firm answer. Registration and planning is underway for all basketball camps and making major changes after planning has begun creates problems.
- Spring/Summer activities brochure is active and registration is underway for all programs/memberships.

Ms. Herlihy reported on the following activities:

- Preparation for pool season is ongoing
- Pettoranello Gardeners will begin their volunteer work in Sunday March 31

Mr. Moorhead reported on the following activities:

- Thanked Mr. Marroli for his work in designing the spring/summer brochure. By doing this project 'in-house', PRD saved approximately \$4,000 in design fees.
- Travel Basketball program recently ended its season. Wrap-up meeting was held on 3/27/13 with Program Coordinator Clarence White.
- Youth Squash clinic ended on 3/10/13.
- Staff met with PHS Boys Basketball Coaching staff (Mark Shelly and Dan Van Hise) to discuss details of summer basketball camps.
- Men's Summer Basketball League will have a managers meeting on 4/15/13. 2013 marks the 25th anniversary of the PRD Men's League.

Directors Report

Mr. Moorhead reported on the following items:

- Men's Platform tennis leagues wrapped up recently. Women's round-robin league will end its season soon.
- NJ Recreation & Parks Association (NJRPA) conference was held in early March. PRD received a 'best in design' award for the CP Pool project. Mr. Moorhead displayed the award that the department received.
- Also at the NJRPA Conference. Mr. Stentz presented at a workshop regarding the use of video/social media as a marketing tool.
- Park restrooms have been opened and are ready for use by the public. PRD Maintenance Staff re-painted interior of bathrooms at Grover Park, Hilltop Park and Farmview Fields.
- PRD Maintenance Staff will begin daily field preparation for spring sports on 4/1/13. Turf-blankets that were installed in fall 2012 have been removed and the results are very good. The turf growth was excellent. Turf-blankets were in place at Smoyer Park (2), Hilltop Park (2), CP South (1), Grover Park (1) and Farmview Fields (1).
- Covers will be taken off of the pool during the week of April 8. Mainline Pool has maintenance work remaining from fall 2012 punch list and they will be on-site during the week of April 15 to perform maintenance.
- Nemato filter company representative will be on site towards end of April to assist with filter start-up for pool.
- Opening day of 2013 season is May 25.

- Aquatics Director Mike Uchrin is putting together lifeguard staff for 2013 including interviewing and hiring additional guards as needed.
- Met at Farmview Fields with Princeton Little League (PLL) Co-President Kevin Lambert and a representative from York Fence in advance of installation beginning for new fence on Farmview field # 2. Work is scheduled for the week of April 8.
- Meeting was held with PLL Co-President's Kevin Lambert and Jon Durbin to discuss drainage improvements at Farmview Fields. Mike Lapinski from the Town Engineering Department was also present. After reviewing the proposal, Mr. Lapinski is comfortable with the drainage system that PLL would like to install, noting that it will help improve a bad situation at Farmview but that no drainage system is foolproof.
- Request for Proposals are going out next week to seek pricing for chlorine service for 2013.

Communications

- Emails from residents w/ feedback regarding Dillon Basketball and Travel Basketball programs.

Public Comment

No public comment

Approval of Minutes

No quorum present

Old Business

New refrigerator for pool concession stand

- *Many of existing refrigerators are old and in different states of disrepair*
- *Will allow for better use of space in concession area by consolidating to this larger unit instead of multiple, smaller units*
- *Cost is \$4,000 but concessionaire has offered to pay half of price even though he may not be here beyond 2013*
- *Unit comes with a 5-year warranty on compressor*
- *Unit will belong to Recreation Department*
- *No quorum present (NO VOTE)*

New Business

Bus Trip to Philadelphia for Mural Tour

- *Details of the trip were discussed*
- *Suggested price is \$55 per person*
- *No quorum present (NO VOTE)*

Mowing & Turf Management Bids for municipal parks

- *3 bids received*
- *Pricing distributed to Board members for review*
- *Discussion was held*
- *US Athletic Fields of Skillman, NJ offered the lowest price for all areas that prices were requested for*
- *No quorum present (NO VOTE)*

Approval of Bills

No quorum present

Next Meeting Date

April 25, 2013

Adjournment