

EGG HARBOR TOWNSHIP RECREATION COMMISSION

November 12, 2014 minutes

Attendees: Fairfield, Davis, Fiedor, Gallagher, McComb, Riggs, Rispoli, Schafer and Warrell.

Messina excused.

1. Minutes:

October 15, 2014 minutes were approved by a vote of 8-0.

2. Presentations/Public:

EHT Wrestling-

Greg Dix inquired whether Wrestling had been approved to utilize the main gym on two Friday nights (January 23 and February 20). Wanda Schafer, Acting Recreation Director indicated that the nights are approved.

Mr. Dix asked whether the mats would be moved to the multi-purpose room on Wednesdays for their practices. Wanda Schafer, Acting Director, stated that, at this time, there are no night time custodians working at the Community Center. Therefore, Wrestling will have to move the mats. Mr. Dix indicated that the dollies to move the mats and the black wrestling mats are at the high school. Karate is in the auxiliary gym from 5:30- 9:00 p.m.

Greg Dix asked whether a table can be placed in the vestibule. Wanda Schafer, Acting Director, advised that permission to do so must come through Peter Miller, Township Administrator.

EHTYO-

Domenic Branca, EHTYO President asked about the rotation plan for the fields. He indicated that the main Football field is in unplayable condition. There are ruts through the middle of the field. There is a berm on the field where the baseball field extends to the football field. Umpires have complained that the field is unsafe. Chairman Fairfield advised that there is a field rotation plan in place. Public Works and the Recreation Commission devised a plan to shut down fields in order to work on them. The plan was sent to all of the Presidents, on three separate occasions, in the Fall of 2013. EHT Lacrosse was the only group that had dialog with the Recreation Commission concerning the anticipated shut down of certain fields.

Mr. Branca inquired whether lights would be installed on the back football field. Vice-Chair Davis advised that lighting the back field will not happen. It was previously addressed with Peter Miller, Township Administrator.

EHT Baseball-

Brian Hawkes was introduced as the new EHTBA president.

Jay Adamson presented a lighting plan for field 6. Baseball has the opportunity to obtain lights from the Old Masters driving range for \$25,000.00. He indicated that Baseball had spoken to Peter Miller, Township Administrator concerning their use. Chairman Fairfield stated that Peter Miller had denied use of these lights in 2013. Public Works was sent to the driving range to ascertain whether the lights would meet Township criteria. The decision was that the lights did not conform to the Township standards.

Chairman Fairfield said that he would set up a meeting with the Presidents, from Baseball (Hawkes) and Football (Branca) and their respective liaisons, Commissioners Messina and Warrell and himself, with Peter Miller to address the purchase and use of these lights.

Brian Hawkes, President advised that EHTBA was interested in adding an additional 11 year old travel team. He stated that the travel players would be able to play in the recreation leagues. Chairman Fairfield advised that the Recreation Commission would not micro-manage their organization.

Brian Hawkes indicated that there were dangerous berms on fields 4, 5 and 7. He inquired whether Public Works would remove the berms. Wanda Schafer, Acting Director, stated that Public Works Supervisor Deegler indicated that there are major renovations needed on field 5. He asked whether C-Scapes could work on the berms. Chairman Fairfield advised him to coordinate the work through Public Works.

3. Old Business:

EHTYS-

Acting Director Schafer advised that Paul Deegler, Public Works supervisor assessed the movement of the openings to the dugouts on fields 5, 6 and 7. The capital budget for fencing should include this change and cost between \$4000.00-\$4500.00.

EHTYS 2014 financial report needs to be addressed. A request for Eileen Barone, EHTYS Treasurer, to attend the December 10, 2014 meeting will be submitted to the Softball board by Commissioner Gallagher.

The covers on the dugouts for field 2 were replaced in the Summer of 2014. They had been destroyed by the Derecho and were covered by Township JIFF insurance.

Prices to install vents in the concession stand will be obtained through Public Works.

4. New Business:

Pickle Ball courts-

Outside courts will be set up at the Delilah Oaks Park. The Recreation Capital account has purchased nets and will have the courts resurfaced and lined. Fencing needs to be repaired.

The auxiliary gym needs to be measured to ascertain whether courts can be set up in there. Logistics concerning purchasing nets, paddles, lining the courts and cost to the participants will be addressed with Peter Miller, Township Administrator.

Six Year Capital Budget-

The six year capital budget was formulated and will be submitted to Peter Miller, Township Administrator.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.