

PALMER TOWNSHIP RECREATION BOARD

FEBRUARY 20, 2018, 7:00 PM

The regular monthly meeting of the Palmer Township Recreation Board was held on Tuesday, February 20th @ 7:00 pm with the following in attendance: Chair, Cheryl Nielsen, Richard Bulette, Liam Brohan, Michael Weaver and Dan McKinney. Robert Smith was also in attendance.

Nielson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Approval of Minutes: Nielson asked for a motion to approve the January minutes. Brohan makes a motion to approve the January 2018 minutes, Weaver seconded to approve motion. Motion carried.

Old Business:

McKinney – everyone get their pool pass?

Nielsen – Are we going to put in a fitness trail on Weller ground?

Smith – Municipal Building has to remain passive open.

Nielsen – Is the walking path going to be marked for distance?

McKinney – It will be – signage for no dogs too. When weather breaks the turf, field should be left open but want to avoid organized events. Don't know if anyone remembers last year, the basketball event at Fairview, that is what we are trying to avoid – we are now asking the right questions.

Directors Report:

McKinney states BOS has said yes to bikes, not to dogs.

Turf Field Updates - McKinney - 100 hours of rentals scheduled, ENCO used a weekend. LVU and ENCO – tiered, ENCO – self-sufficient, \$100.00/\$120.00 per hour, \$20 more for every lighted hour. NY Red Bulls rented for a week in the summer for a local kids' summer camp, charging \$50.00/player, July 9th-12th.

Nielsen – is anyone going to practice on grass?

McKinney – Spring is just Lacrosse, AA realizes it is in their best interest to raise money

Nielsen – Opening day would be a great time to let people know what is going on, on the fields. We should announce Opening Day and put in the paper that we did it with tax money and grant money

McKinney – lights were turned on today, final inspection on Thursday

Brohan – sent out his spreadsheet

Smith – sent baseball rules out

McKinney – packets need to be filled out with rules, having signs made now

Brohan – was a parking lot ever done at Riverview

McKinney and Smith – It's on the list, there was a lot of dirt removed, plan to do it this year

New Business:

Smith – had a meeting with Palmer AA to discuss the teams, legion teams are failing, trying to loosen the rules to play legion and recreational. Question is, do we open to just Palmer or open up to everyone? We are searching for different alternatives. Do you remember discussing batting cage nets?

McKinney – our gyms are packed

Weaver – Multi-purpose?

Smith – baseball growing on the upper level

Smith – Dan and I are meeting Thursday night with the Palmer AA at the Municipal Building to see what changes are in store, half of our kids play for Easton and Bethlehem because they can recruit, Palmer does not (football)

Nielsen – Plainfield Township changed their rules

Smith – Would like to keep all together instead of splitting to different teams

Brohan – Is there projected revenue coming into the Rec Board?

Smith – Don't remember

McKinney – Bond money

Smith – At max, built out 8-10 years, probably won't have more funding. Palmer Township is going to have the best fields compared to other municipalities.

McKinney – if the right organization would run tournaments it could equal money

Smith – explained tournament fees for travelling teams

Brohan – Can we run to that magnitude?

Smith – Could?

222 Report:

Smith – would like to pay for the scoreboard

Nielsen – would Weyerbacher donate?

Weaver – multiple boards or one?

Bulette – money is there, discussed figures

Egg Hunt:

Smith – We need to finalize the Egg Hunt if we are moving it, need direction and advertisement

McKinney – there are

Nielsen – help for a half hour to put out eggs? Candy is ordered, handed over the bill for the jelly beans to Dan McKinney. I will have a bill for the tootsie rolls. I got peep bubbles for the little ones, having stuffed animals donated

groups out there who will help – Candy and prizes are ordered except for younger groups. This might be the last year at Palmer School but then moved to Community Center.

Smith – Can't we use the football field and use the Community Center to give out the candy and prizes?

Nielsen – It is already in the Newsletter that it is at Palmer School.

Smith – already have a linked path

Public Comment: N/A.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 @ 7:00 pm

Nielsen asks for a motion to adjourn. Brohan motions to adjourn, seconded by Bulette.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Brenda Lazarus: Corresponding Secretary