

RAMSEY RECREATION COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MEETING

OCTOBER 17, 2022

The September meeting was held in person at borough hall and was also available via teleconference. The regular meeting of the Ramsey Recreation Commission was called to order by Recreation Director Popolo at 7:40 p.m. Present via teleconference was Mr. Kemp. Present at borough hall were Mr. Jachts and Mr. Winterhalter, Commissioners, and Council Liaison Gutwetter. Mr. Blasius, Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mr. Jarvis, Mrs. Oliver, and Mr. Siraki were absent.

MINUTES

Mr. Winterhalter moved that the minutes of the September 19, 2022 meeting be approved as received, seconded by Mr. Jachts, and passed.

ACTIVITY REPORTS (OLD/NEW BUSINESS)

The by-laws should be in the possession of the governing body for approval.

There were 141 runners in the 2022 Ramsey Runs which is an improvement over 2021. One of Jack McKeown's children reminded Mr. Popolo that next year is the 45th race and she can bring the McKeown family to that event like she did for the 40th event. There was an issue with the marking of the course and some runners went the wrong way. There also was an issue with water stop coverage. The clocks from CompuScore were not used but the borough was charged for them because they were brought to the race.

The Halloween parade and costume contest is scheduled for Saturday, October 29th. The parade will begin at 10 a.m. at the commuter parking lot on Mechanic Street and proceed down Main Street to the Ramsey High School cafeteria since the high school auditorium is unavailable. Shop-Rite approved the candy donation request; Mrs. Dey will pick up. The candy will be available in the cafeteria. The fire department's Trunk or Treat is scheduled the same day, beginning at 11 a.m. An e-mail will be sent to the Commissioners to determine availability.

Someone will be taking over the wrestling program from Brian Reid. Wrestling and girls' and boys' basketball will be added to CapturePoint and then an e-mail blast will be sent, informing residents that online registration is available. The charge for basketball will remain at \$65. Mr. Popolo will meet with the new wrestling coach to determine if the fee needs to be raised. It was \$115 in 2021.

Mr. Popolo will be meeting with the lacrosse representatives shortly.

Mr. Jachts is working on a website which should help the Commission with its publicity issues.

Mr. Kemp is trying to line up officials for basketball. Eighth graders may be a little young to be officiating games for fourth through eighth graders.

Councilman Gutwetter noted that the pickleball courts at Finch Park are now available for play. There was a grand opening. The street hockey rink was disassembled but not discarded. It may be put together near Field 1. The tribute to Staff Sergeant Timothy McGill, dedicated on October 19, 2014, should remain displayed at the park, not put in storage.

The November meeting will be conducted via teleconference only. The December meeting will be cancelled.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. upon motion by Mr. Winterhalter, seconded by Mr. Jachts, and passed.