

PARAMUS RECREATION COMMISSION
April 24, 2019
Meeting Minutes

PUBLIC MEETING

Meeting Called To Order By: Gary Zysman

Time: 7:07PM

1. ROLL CALL:

<u>P</u> Dennis Arslanian	<u>P</u> Mike Pallotto
<u>AB</u> Michael Bellinger	<u>P</u> Paula Perides
<u>AB</u> Vince Feorenzo	<u>P</u> Bill Stallone
<u>P</u> Josie Giugliano	<u>P</u> Gary Zysman, Chairman
<u>P</u> Jeff Lepselter	<u>AB</u> Pat Verile, Council Liason

Also in Attendance:

<u>P</u> Stephanie Garino, Asst Director	<u>P</u> Megan Schaffer, Asst. Director
<u>P</u> Ken Raschen, Shade Tree	<u>AB</u> Jay Sexton, Shade Tree

2. HEARING OF PUBLIC

- A. Dana Garcia – 225 Concord St. Paramus NJ
 - a. Ms. Garcia came to speak to the commission about Fall Cheerleading, and the organization of the program.
 - b. She stated that in past years, teams came and went as they pleased, not always attending every game, and the program seems to need some structure.
 - c. Ms. Garcia offered her time to volunteer to head the program and help organize the coaches and teams.
 - d. The commission agreed that more structure was needed and that a pre-season meeting would be held to make the expectations of the department clear.
- B. Ken Raschen – Shade Tree Department
 - a. Mr. Raschen came to the commission to ask for financial support in the purchase of a Z Spray spreader.
 - b. He explained that this machine would save man power, time and product while treating the fields.
 - c. He also explained that the machine could be utilized in all seasons for multiple purposes.
 - d. Assistant Director Schaffer informed the board that the funds were available in Outdoor Trust to purchase this piece of equipment.

- e. Chairman Zysman made a motion to purchase the spreader for the amount of \$12,750.00. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Arslanian, and all present approved.

3. CLOSED SESSION

At 7:45pm Commissioner Jeff Lepselter made a motion to move into closed session, seconded by Commissioner Stallone, all present approved.

At 8:11pm Commissioner Giugliano made a motion to return from closed session, seconded by Commissioner Pallotto, all present approved.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Pallotto **First**
All In Favor

Commissioner Arslanian **Second**

5. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

Commissioner Pallotto **First**
All In Favor

Commissioner Giugliano **Second**

6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- A. Asst. Director Schaffer directed the commission to review the list of coaches whom had put in their intent to coach forms for football.
- B. Chairman Zysman asked the commission to review the list. Gary then asked for a motion to approve the list.
 - a. Commissioner Lepselter pointed out that there were two applicants for Head 7&8 football team.
 - b. The commission discussed that Asst. Director Schaffer would reach out to the applicant who also checked Assistant Coach, and if he chose to stay just as an Asst. Applicant, than the head position would go to the Rich Conte.
 - c. Commissioner Lepselter made a motion to approve the coach list, seconded by Commissioner Perides, and all present approved.
- C. Asst. Director Schaffer presented to the board the proposal of moving the AED's at parks to locations where they are more accessible. The board agreed unanimously.
- D. Asst. Director Schaffer informed the board that summer playground interviews were well underway, and staffing was looking strong.

7. ASSISTANT DIRECTORS REPORT

- A. Asst. Director Garino informed the commission that recreation soccer will be registering for the NWBSA league for the 2019 Fall Season.
- B. She stated that regardless of the differences that the department had with the league, they have unfortunately "cornered the market" with league play.
- C. Asst. Director Garino gave the commission an update on the 2019 Lacrosse Season. She stated that the boys program has been operating very smoothly, while the girls have been a little bumpy, but all in all, it has been a successful season.

8. ADJOURNMENT

A. Meeting adjourned by Jeff Lepselter, Second by Bill Stallone, and all in present in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:11pm.