

Recreation Minutes

April 1, 2021

Zoom Attendance: Ryan Blass, Laurie Boyle, Andy Fox, Vanessa James, Jack Kostiuk, Chris Morris, Althea Sanders, Andrea Whilden

Current programs and events:

-This past Saturday (3/27) was our Easter Egg Scramble at Shertel Park. The day had great weather and a nice turnout. A big thanks to both Councilwoman James for running the event and to all the volunteers for helping at the event.

-All the baseball and soccer fields are being prepared to be played upon this Spring. It is important that all these fields are playable, especially considering that Little League starts next week.

-At Alcyon Lake Park, new panels are being placed on the scoreboards. Salmon Signs will be helping with new logos. Additionally, the Little League scoreboard will be getting new lettering.

-Practices are begun for Middle School baseball under new coach Mike Snyder. The first of the 7 or 8 game schedule will be played this Tuesday (4/6) at 6:30 at ALP.

Upcoming programs and events:

-Tee ball will begin on the 17th at Alcyon. There will be six teams playing only games this year to limit the number of gatherings together. Our "Tee Ball Talk" video series is now available on our web site.

-Next Tuesday (4/6), the senior bus will be making a vaccine trip to the RCSJ mega site for those seniors without transportation to get there themselves. Right now, there are seven signed up.

-For Youth Week: the DJ has been taken care of for the Middle School dance at Sunset on May 7; during the week, Mister Softy will be coming to the programs at the library; the Youth Council has been chosen and will meet May 2 at Borough Hall, while the Career Day candidates are still being finalized; the rest of the schedule/any new events will be finished shortly.

-The Slenkamps will be running the Spring Tennis programs that begins on the 12th. This program will use similar protocols from last year and will lead into the upcoming summer program.

-Healthy Kids Running will begin on the 11th at Alcyon. All spots are filling up this year.

-Regarding the wildflower meadow, Andy and Vanessa will be meeting with members from the Environmental Commission about moving forward and improving that area, although not to the extent that had been discussed at prior meetings.

-The final topic this meeting discussed the playground equipment at Shertel Park. The equipment there has broken pieces, is worn down, and has graffiti written on it. A discussion about what to do next came up. One option is to replace the equipment, leave it and Shertel, and explore a way to provide better security around that area of the park. The other option is to move the playground to ALP down near the pavilion. More discussion is expected during next month's meeting.

Next Meeting: Thursday May 13 at 6:30 at Borough Hall