

MONTVILLE TOWNSHIP RECREATION COMMISSION
Wednesday, February 8, 2023
7pm at Montville Township
195 Changebridge Road
Montville, NJ 07045

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Montville Township Recreation Commission was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Driscoll with the following statement being read: “As required by the Open Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided, which notice specified the date, time and place to the extent known at that time; the notice having been submitted to the Citizen of Morris County, Daily Record newspapers, filed in the Township Clerk’s office, as well as posted on the bulletin board of the Municipal Building.”

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Chairman Driscoll, Vice-Chairman Colaiacovo, Commissioners Moscone, Whiteman, Manfra, Van Koppen, Koenig, Garb and Perretta, Secretary Johansen and Director Dent.

ABSENT: None

LIAISONS: MBSA Matt Stalker (Present)
BRONCOS Peter Matarrazo (Absent)
GARDENS Vacancy (Absent)
HOCKEY Vacancy (Absent)
LACROSSE Sean Regan (Present) ALT – Daren Colaiacovo (Present)
SOCCER Frank Maggiore (Present) ALT – John Lo Basso (Absent)
TWP COM Rich Cook (Absent)

MINUTES

The January minutes were carried to March for approval.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

DIRECTORS REPORT:

2023 Dates to remember – Montville Lax NJJLL Playoffs at Dawson both fields, Saturday June 3rd 5:00pm – 9pm, rain date of Sunday, June 4th 5:00pm-9:00pm. MLC Games at Dawson both fields, Sunday March 19th 9:30am-12:30pm and Sunday May 14th 9am-1pm. MSA Travel Tryouts Saturday May 6 1-5pm and Wednesday May 10th 6pm-9pm. Spring TRNY, Saturday March 25th and Sunday March 26th 9am-5pm Cmty Turf. MSA Memorial Day Tournament dates Saturday, May 27th and Sunday May 28th 7am-5pm Community Park & Camp Dawson Fields. MSA Labor day Tournament, Saturday September 2 and Sunday September 3 7am-5pm Community Park fields. MSA Columbus Day Tournament??? MBSA opening day parade and ceremony date Saturday, April 15th, Michelle Sullivan Tournament??? Broncos Football Opening Day Ceremony dates TBD

Recreation Basketball – Playoffs are scheduled for the last two weeks of February.

Coach Certification Classes – Upcoming classes are February 9, February 21, March 9, March 21, April 13, April 25, May 11, May 23, June 8 and June 20th.

Annual Sports Organization Meeting – Scheduled for Monday, February 13th. Agenda items; Review of spring schedules, Coach Certification compliance, facility use, Code of Conduct and Incident and Accident Reporting Requirements.

OLD BUSINESS

Projects in Process

- Municipal Ball Fields & Community Park Turf Netting – Director Dent would like to run the project at the Muni fields on her own to save on cost. Challenger Fence will complete the work under the Morris County Co-op. Liaison Stalker would like to see the dug outs redone before the fencing is replaced so that the work is completed at the same time. Chairman Driscoll suggests that they discuss what they would like to see done and come back with a plan. The most cost-effective approach at Community Park is to keep the netting at the current height along Changebridge Road. Two additional poles can be installed, and the netting will be tight against all the poles so it does not sag. New mesh is to be installed along the split rail fence along Changebridge.
- Temperature –Controlled AED cabinets – They were ordered and should arrive early next week. The electrician will install.
- New replacement park benches/picnic tables were ordered where needed.
- Multi-Purpose Building – Vice-Chairman Colaiacovo stated the Town Council needs to decide on a location and then the subcommittee can meet again to discuss the specifics.

- Camp Dawson Practice Area Netting – Netting will be completed after the Lacrosse wall is installed.
- Amphitheater Improvements – New patio and possibly a firepit plan was submitted at this site. Estimated date of completion is summer of 2023. Installation of new grills will not take place until the patio is built.
- Roller Hockey Rink Repairs – Engineer will work on this in the spring.
- Lacrosse Wall – Engineering is leading the project and is soliciting contractors to do the prep work and install the wall.
- Cameras – New cameras will be installed at Community Park and Camp Dawson. Liaison Regan suggested adding plate readers to the cameras since it's only a minimal cost.

NEW BUSINESS

Incident Reports – Vice-Chairman Colaiacovo asked what the process is for coaches, players or parents that are suspended or disciplined from one organization. What is preventing them from joining another sport? He suggests the Recreation Department be in charge of keeping track via incident reports filed by the sport organizations. Commissioner Manfra stated that if coaches are penalized a report needs to be filed with Director Dent.

PUBLIC SESSION

None

LIAISON REPORTS

MBSA – Liaison Stalker stated that registration is open. Currently they have 310 kids registered. April 15th is Opening Day. Travel baseball starts on April 2nd.

BRONCOS – Liaison Matarazzo absent, no report.

GARDENS – No Report

HOCKEY – No Report

LACROSSE – Liaison Regan stated that registration ends on February 15th. There are currently 180 kids registered. Practice begins on March 4th. Games begin on March 25th. He asked if the painting of the lacrosse wall has to be approved by the Town. Director Dent will check and report back. The dedication of the wall will need approval from the Township Committee.

SOCCER ASSOCIATION – Liaison Maggiore stated that registration is open until March. There are 225 kids registered. Travel soccer starts on April 2nd.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE – Liaison Cook absent, no report.

VOUCHERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Manfra to approve the January 2023 vouchers. Seconded by Commissioner Whiteman. All in favor by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to discuss, on a motion made by Commissioner Manfra, seconded by Commissioner Whiteman, the meeting adjourned at 8:06pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Johansen, Secretary

Reviewed by Lori Dent, Recreation Director 3.31.23