

Franklin Borough
Recreation Committee
Minutes for
January 16, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by the Chairwomen, Mrs. Sanchez, who then led the assembly in the flag salute.

Mrs. Sanchez read the Statement of Compliance pursuant to the "Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, PL 1975."

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Mrs. Christina Sanchez Chairwoman (Present)
Mr. Concetto Formica Co- Chairman (Present)
Mr. Anthony Marino (Present)
Mrs. Bobbi Formica (Present)
Mr. Scott Davis (Present)
Mrs. Holly Sollitto (Absent)
Mrs. Patti Carnes (Present)
Mr. Stephen Skellenger (Present)
Mayor John Sowden (Present)

**Please note that the members are listed on roll call prior to the re- org meeting.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mrs. Sanchez stated that at this time she would like to have a motion to accept the December 16th meeting minutes.

Mrs. Formica made the motion to approve the December 16th meeting minutes. Seconded by **Mrs. Carnes**

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES Mrs. Sanchez, Mr. Formica, Mrs. Formica, Mr. Davis, Mrs. Carnes

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: Mr. Marino

Approved

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION:

There was no open public session

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasures Report –

Mrs. Formica gave a brief report on the rec accounts.

RE-ORG:

At this time Mrs. Sanchez explained that this is the first rec meeting of the new year and the re-org will now take place.

Mrs. Sanchez explained that the following position will be voted on.

Chair, Vice Chair, treasurer.

Mrs. Sanchez asked for nominations for the 2020 rec Chair person.

Mrs. Formica nominated Christina Sanchez for Chairwoman. Seconded by Mrs. Carnes.

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Mrs. Sanchez asked if there were any more nominations for Rec Chair.
There were no more nominations.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES **Mrs. Sanchez, Mr. Formica, Mr. Marino, Mrs. Formica, Mr. Davis, Mrs.**

Carnes

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

Approved

Mrs. Sanchez asked for nominations for Vice Chair.

Mrs. Carnes made a nomination to have Bobbi Formica as Vice Chair. Seconded by Mrs. Sanchez.

Mrs. Sanchez asked if there were any more nominations for Vice Chair.

There were no more nominations.

Mrs. Sanchez asked for a roll call to have Bobbi Formica Vice Chair.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES **Mrs. Sanchez, Mr. Formica, Mr. Marino, Mrs. Formica, Mr. Davis, Mrs.**

Carnes

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

Approved

Mrs. Sanchez asked for nominations for Treasurer.

Mrs. Formica nominated Patty Carnes for treasurer. Seconded by Mr. Davis

There were no more nominations.

Mrs. Sanchez asked for a roll call to have Patty Carnes Treasurer.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES **Mrs. Sanchez, Mr. Formica, Mr. Marino, Mrs. Formica, Mr. Davis, Mrs.**

Carnes

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

Approved

Mrs. Sanchez explained the other position is for Field coordinator, Sign changer and the inventory manger.

Mrs. Sanchez stated that Mr. Davis is currently the filed coordinator and sign changer.

Mrs. Sanchez asked if Mr. Davis would still be willing to do the field coordinating and changing the sign along with the inventory.

Mr. Davis accepted.

The committee discussed getting new keys and/or locks for the rec buildings at the pond.

Mayor Sowden suggested starting fresh with new locks and keys.

OLD BUSINESS:

JC Promotions - Mrs. Sanchez gave an update on meeting with JC Promotions.

Mrs. Sanchez stated that she met JC Promotions and Mrs. Sanchez gave her the tour of the pond and Main street.

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Mrs. Sanchez stated that she didn't feel that JC Promotions seemed interested in setting up anything on Main Street.

Mrs. Sanchez stated that they seemed more interested in the pond area because they tend to like the big open fields.

Mrs. Sanchez stated that she would get back to her with any questions that she had as far as parking and road closing permits that Mrs. Sanchez did not have rightly available at the time of the meeting.

Mrs. Sanchez stated that she is waiting to hear back from JC Promotions.

Mrs. Sanchez explained that they had many ideas that they suggested for Franklin in the meeting that they had one of the ideas was even doing a monthly flea market kind of venue.

Mrs. Sanchez stated that there are many options and Mrs. Sanchez will wait to hear back from them to see what ideas they propose to us that they find will work best for Franklin.

Mr. Formica stated that he would like to mention to everyone that he would like to start trade marking the pond.

Mr. Formica would like everyone on rec to start using the **#franklinpond** for anything and everything that rec does at the pond.

Mr. Formica stated that he would also like to add to all of our flyers, Ads, Social Media, etc.

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SOFTBALL-

Mrs. Sanchez stated that at the last meeting it was discussed how hard the girls Softball league worked on their fields and how they received the grant through Franklin Forward.

Mrs. Sanchez also stated that at the last meeting the rec committee voted and passed breaking the field use application into proper season timelines.

Mrs. Sanchez stated with all that being said softball was not prepared to pay double the fees.

Mrs. Sanchez stated that it was discussed about possibly waiving half of the fees this year as a thank you to them for all they have done on the softball field.

The committee had a lengthy discussion and ultimately decided on waiving the field fees for this year and this year only.

Mrs. Sanchez asked for a motion.

Mrs. Formica made the motion to waive the field fees for the Walkkill Valley girls Softball league. Due to the improvements they made to the field last year. Seconded by **Mr. Davis**.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES Mrs. Sanchez, Mr. Marino, Mrs. Formica, Mr. Davis, Mrs. Carnes

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: Mr. Formica

Approved

NEW BUSINESS:

Spring Fling – Saturday April 18, 2020

The committee discussed confirming who would chair the event and reaching out to the firehouse to confirm the hall would be available on Friday the night before to decorate and prep and Saturday to hold the event.

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MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS:

Mr. Skellenger stated that he would like for the committee to give him some input on what the committee would like for the RFQ's to say as far as for the pond and the carnival.

Mr. Skellenger stated that he would like to get the ball rolling and would like to have the RFQ's to be ready to go for the next council meeting and if not for the January 28th meeting then for the 1st one in February. The committee was in agreement.

Mrs. Sanchez asked Mr. Skellenger if there were any new updates as far as the grant writer from the last time everyone met.

Mr. Skellenger stated that if there were any updates they would be sent to Alison and he has not been informed of anything new.

Mr. Formica asked if everyone was aware of the playground at the pond being closed for the winter for maintenance.

The committee had a brief conversation about the playground and what they thought should be looked at for maintenance.

Mayor Sowden and Mr. Formica discussed different options for barriers, rearranging the parking spots, etc. To help protect the playground from the cars that drive the road along where the playground is located.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Formica made a motion to adjourn the meeting. **Seconded by Mr. Marino**
All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:53PM

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Babcock
Recreation Secretary