

**Franklin Borough**  
**Recreation Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes for**  
**August 20, 2020**

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM by the Chairwomen, Mrs. Formica, who then led the assembly in the flag salute.

Mrs. Formica 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)  
Mrs. Bobbi Formica Co- Chairwoman (Present)  
Mr. Anthony Marino (Absent)  
Mr. Concetto Formica (Present)  
Mr. Scott Davis (Present)  
Mrs. Patty Carnes (Present)  
Mr. Stephen Skellenger (Present)  
Mayor John Sowden (Absent)

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mrs. Babcock distributed the meeting minutes for committee to read and review.

Mrs. Formica stated that at this time she would like to have a motion to accept the August 6, 2020 meeting minutes.

**Mr. Davis made the** motion to approve the August 6, 2020 meeting minutes. Seconded by **Mrs. Carnes.**

**Upon Roll Call Vote:**

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

**NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS:**

**Approved**

**OPEN PUBLIC SESSION#1:**

Scott Davis made the motion to open the meeting to the public. Seconded by Mrs. Carnes.

Rebecca Babcock addressed the board by stating that everyone should know who she is by now she lives on Butler Street in Franklin.

Mrs. Babcock stated that she thinks the 911 memorial is such a great idea and is so proud that Franklin is going to do such an important event.

Mrs. Babcock stated that the reason she is here tonight is to speak on behalf of her son Eddie Babcock.

Mrs. Babcock stated that her son Eddie is a member of the Wood hounds truck group and thought it would be cool to have the all members of the group to come to the 911 Memorial event with their flags on the back of their trucks to parade from the beginning of the pond area all the way up to the firehouse parking lot.

The rec committee thought that would be a nice idea and asked if anyone with a truck and a flag could participated and Mrs. Babcock said of course.

The rec committee stated that they approved the idea and Mr. and Mrs. Babcock could start working on the details.

Mrs. Babcock thanked the rec committee.

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**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Treasures Report –**

Mrs. Babcock (Secretary) stated that there was a miss print on the trail balance and it has been fixed and removed by the finance department. Mrs. Babcock explained it was a coding mistake and it hit the rec account by mistake and had been resolved.

Mrs. Carnes stated that she noticed that at the last meeting and forgot to mention it and thanked Mrs. Babcock for the clarification.

Mrs. Babcock stated that everything this month is the same.

Mrs. Babcock stated that she just placed the amazon order for the miscellaneous equipment for movie nights.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Eddie Mindlin Table & Plaque**

Mrs. Sanchez asked for an update on the table and plaque.

Mrs. Babcock stated that the George Hutnick is still working on the plaque along with Thor Sheldon's Memorial plaque.

Mrs. Babcock stated that as far as the picnic table goes Home depot does not have any in stock and will not be receiving anymore this season.

Mrs. Babcock stated that Mr. Formica has volunteered to build one.

Mr. Formica stated that he would create a materials list and charge it to blue ridge lumber he knows the town has an account with them.

Mr. Formica stated that would just make everything go smoother and faster.

The committee were in agreement and thanked Mr. Formica for his time and efforts that will go into Mr. Formica building the picnic table.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

***9/11 Event –***

The committee spoke at length on different ideas and thoughts on planning the 9/11 event.

Mr. Sanchez gave the committee a brief lesson on the lights and how they will work.

Mr. Formica stated that Mr. Pallotta has been generous enough to pay for all of the costs on renting the 9/11 Memorial lights.

Mrs. Formica stated that she wanted to in cooperate the inflatable movie screen at the event.

Mrs. Sanchez stated there are utube videos that we can upload on to the screen.

Mrs. Formica suggested having the screen have the scrolling list of those who perished on 9/11 with patriotic music and pictures in the background.

The committee discussed who needed to be invited from dignitaries to church groups, and the local organizations.

The committee looked at the drafted invitation that was drafted by Mrs. Babcock.

The committee tweaked and listed items that needed to be added time, social distancing statement, etc.

Mrs. Babcock stated that she would go back and add everything discussed and resend the invitation out to the committee for final approval before sending them out.

**Yoga on the Beach**

Mrs. Sanchez stated that she received a request from Keri the yoga instructor about using the beach to host a few yoga classes while the weather is still cooperating,

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Mrs. Sanchez read a loud the email from Keri asking for recreation to approve her request to hold yoga classes on the beach.

Mrs. Sanchez asked for the committee's thoughts and concerns,

Mrs. Sanchez asked Mrs. Babcock what will need to be provided.

Mrs. Babcock stated that this application would be handled just like the CKO Kicking boxing was a full application specifying date and times along with a signed hold harmless agreement and proof of insurance certificate.

Mrs. Sanchez asked if the committee had any objections in waiving the use fees like we did with CKO kickboxing.

Mr. Formica stated that he did not have any issues and felt that the committee should waive fees but he stepped out of the meeting to make a phone call to the mayor receiving his approval as well.

Mr. Formica stated that the Mayor was fully on board and would be happy to approve waiving the fees to another Franklin Borough Business who has been deeply affected by the Pandemic this year.

Mrs. Sanchez stated that she would like to make it official by having the recreation committee vote to approve allowing Yoga on the beach and waiving all fees.

Mr. Formica made the motion to approve yoga on the beach.

Seconded by Mr. Davis.

Mrs. Sanchez stated that she would reach out to carry first thing tomorrow.

**Senior of the year**

The committee spoke at length about different ideas on when and where to hold the senior luncheon due to the fact that this years Spring Fling was canceled due to the pandemic.

There were many ideas suggested an October fest in the Fireman's Park.

A tea party again at the fireman's Park with tea and light refreshments.

Mrs. Sanchez stated that we would readdress this item at the next meeting narrowing down the theme date and time at our next meeting.

Mrs. Babcock stated that the plaque and the street signs are at the borough hall all ready to go when we need them.

**Re-Org**

Mrs. Sanchez stated that at this time we need to hold elections for rec Chair, Co – Chair and treasurer.

*Mrs. Sanchez stated that we would start for nominations for Chair.*

*Mrs. Carnes made the motion to nominate Bobbi Formica for chairwoman of the recreation committee Seconded by Mrs. Sanchez*

**Upon Roll Call Vote:**

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

**NAYS: None     ABSTENTIONS:**

**Approved**

**Mrs. Babcock Congratulated Mrs. Formica.**

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*Mrs. Formica stated she would now accept nominations for co- chair.*

*Mrs. Formica made the motion to nominate Patty Carnes for Co – chair.*

*Seconded by Mr. Davis.*

**Upon Roll Call Vote:**

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

**NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS:**

**Approved**

*Mrs. Babcock congratulated Mrs. Carnes.*

*Mrs. Formica stated that she would hear nominations for Treasurer.*

*Mrs. Sanchez made the motion to nominate Scott Davis for rec treasurer.*

*Seconded by Patty Carnes.*

**Upon Roll Call Vote:**

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

**NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS:**

**Approved**

*Mrs. Babcock congratulated Mr. Davis.*

**OPEN PUBLIC SESSION # 2**

There was no one in attendance to speak at the open public session #2

**MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS:**

There were no miscellaneous comments.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

*Mrs. Formica asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.*

**Mr. Davis** made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by **Mrs. Carnes**

**All were in favor.**

***\*The meeting was adjourned at 8:36***