

Franklin Borough
Recreation Committee
Meeting Minutes for
November 19, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 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. Bobbi Formica Chairwoman (Present)
Mrs. Patty Carnes Co- Chairwoman (Present) via phone
Mr. Anthony Marino (Absent)
Mr. Concetto Formica (Absent)
Mr. Scott Davis (Present)
Mrs. Christina Sanchez (Present) via phone
Mr. Stephen Skellenger (Absent)
Mayor John Sowden (Absent)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mrs. Formica tabled the minutes to the next meeting when there were more members present.

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION#1:

Rosa Collins – President of the Walkill Little League.

Mrs. Collins stated that she just wanted to explain to the rec committee what has been presented to her through Provident Bank (Old SB one Bank).

Mrs. Collins stated that the provident bank has been generous enough to offer to donate the cost of a new updated scoreboard for the little league field.

Mrs. Collins explained that she and the league are just at the beginning stages of planning and researching what it would entail to replace the scoreboard.

Ms. Collins stated that she just wanted to run the idea through the recreation committee and make sure that rec was on board before going any further.

Ms. Collins stated that she also wanted to make sure there is not anything else that she would need to do prior to moving forward on the towns end.

Mrs. Formica stated that she should write a letter to the Mayor and Council to receive their blessing as well as recreations due to the fact that the scoreboard would be placed on Borough's property.

Mrs. Collins stated that she would write a letter as plans start to progress. Ms. Collins stated that they are just starting to get things going with this idea.

Mr. Davis asked if their scoreboard was not working due to an electrical problem that may not have to do with the scoreboard and might just be an electric problem.

Mrs. Collins stated that she did not think of that and said she would look into that. Mrs. Collins stated that she had a dad volunteer that she could ask to look at it for her.

Mrs. Babcock stated that she wrote down some notes and would talk to the town Administrator and get back to Mrs. Collins with any information that she can pass on to her.

Mrs. Collins thanked the committee for their time and stated that she would be in touch as things started to move along.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasures Report – Mr. Davis stated that there were no changes made to the accounts. Mr. Davis stated that the appreciation tea purchases have all been accounted for and charged accordingly.

Holiday Light Contest- Mr. Davis stated that the signup has been slow but its still early. Mrs. Formica stated that Mrs. Sanchez has made a beautiful flyer that rec can start blasting all over social media.

Gingerbread – Mrs. Formica stated that there at 13 signed up as of right now. Mrs. Formica stated that she is still interested in having any of the rec members interested in coming over to do a Facebook live of how to put a Gingerbread house together using Mrs. Formica’s magic recipe for quick trying frosting.

Tree Lighting - Mrs. Formica stated that Mrs. Sanchez has made a beautiful flyer that rec can start blasting all over social media.

Mr. Davis confirmed that the boy scouts will be present.

Mrs. Formica stated that she would use the Walmart card to purchase candy canes.

Mrs. Sanchez stated that the committee should get there around 4 to set up the photo backdrop.

Mrs. Formica stated that the lighting will begin at 5:00 and they will work on getting a Santa Claus.

Mrs. Babcock stated that she would reach out to the chief of the fire dept to ask them to give Santa a ride.

Mr. Davis stated that he would be putting the bridge lights up on Friday 11/27 before the tree lighting.

Mr. Davis asked what a good time would be for the timer to be set on. Mr. Davis stated that he thought to have the lights to come on at 4:30 and go off at 2:30am.

OLD BUSINESS:

Concession Cleanout-

Mr. Formica stated that she and Mrs. Carnes did a great job of cleaning out the concession stand last Saturday. It is cleaned out and organized.

Mrs. Formica sadly reported that the fun balls, and outdoor gym equipment that we received from the Littell Center clean out was not picked up from the DPW guys the only things that was picked up were the basketball hoops and the exercise equipment

Mr. Davis stated that when he is putting the bridge lights up next Friday, he can move the smaller fridge from the concession stand and bring it over the guard shack closest to the beach.

Bowling invoice –

Mrs. Babcock stated that she received the NJ BRC & a W9 from the bowling alley. If the committee was ok with the invoice that Mrs. Babcock would go ahead

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION # 2

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

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MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS:

Mr. Davis gave the committee a brief update on the situation with the Scout leaders. Last week Mr. Davis met with the 4 leaders and tried to work out some of the issues that were brought to his attention.

Mr. Davis stated that he felt the meeting went well and the next day the committee chair resigned.

a Prior scout master volunteered to step in the vacant position for now until some of the dust settles.

Mr. Davis stated that he would keep the rec informed of any other changes and progress as he receives them.

Mr. Davis stated that hopefully this is a fresh new start for the scouts and things should start looking up from here on out.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Davis made a motion to adjourn, Seconded by Mrs. Carnes.
The meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.