

**Franklin Borough**  
**Recreation Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes for**  
**May 19, 2022**

This meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by the Chairwomen, Mrs. Carnes, who then led the assembly in the flag salute.

Mrs. Formica read the statement on compliance pursuant to the "Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, PL 1975"

**ROLL CALL OF MEMEBERS:**

Mrs. Bobbi Formica – Chairwomen (present)  
Mrs. Patti Carnes - Co-Chairwomen (present)  
Mrs. Rachel Heath - Council Liaison (absent)  
Mrs. Christina Sanchez – Member (present)  
Mrs. Theresa Nahrwold – Member (absent)  
Mr. Concetto Formica – Member (present-arrived @7:10PM)  
Mrs. Barbara Castania – Member (absent)  
Ms. Suzann Brush – Secretary (present)

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

May 5<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes.

Mrs. Formica asked for a motion to approve May 5, 2022 meeting minutes.

Mrs. Carnes made the motion. Mrs. Sanchez second the motion.

**Upon Roll Call Vote:**

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

**NAYS:** none

**ABSTENTIONS:**

**APPROVED**

**OPEN PUBLIC SESSION #1:**

Mrs. Formica asked for a motion to open public session #1.

Mrs. Sanchez made the motion. Mrs. Carnes second the motion.

**Upon Roll Call Vote:**

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

**NAYS:** none

**ABSTENTIONS:**

**APPROVED**

- Molly Hubbard, Girl Scout Leader, was in attendance.
- Mrs. Hubbard thanked the committee for allowing the Girl Scouts to have their field day/camp out event at the pond. She said it was a great turn out.
- Mrs. Hubbard offered for the Girl Scouts to help with clean up of shed storage.
- Girl Scouts will be attending the Carnival and Franklin Nite.

Mrs. Formica asked for a motion to close public session #1.

Mrs. Sanchez made the motion. Mrs. Carnes second the motion.

**Upon Roll Call Vote:**

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

**NAYS:** none

**ABSTENTIONS:**

**APPROVED**

## **COMMITTEE REPORT**

### **Treasure's Report:**

- Committee briefly reviewed report. There were no changes.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **Pageant:**

- Judges – Rachel Heath, Barbara Castania
  - Going to ask Peggy Askew if she is available as well.
- Host – Kasha confirmed she is available.
- Scholarship Sponsorship – Secretary, Suzann Brush, to update sponsorship request letter, going to be presented to the Police Department.
- There are currently 3 contestants for Miss Franklin, 1 princess, 2 princes, 1 or 2 Little Miss Franklin, and none for Jr. Miss Franklin at this time.
- Pageant crowns to be ordered.

#### **Franklin Nite:**

- Inflatable/Quotes –
  - Committee reviewed inflatable prices.
  - Committee still would like to seek sponsors.
  - Final approval tabled to next meeting.
- Band Quotes
  - Mudsharks (Mile 39 Band) agreed to play 6-9 pm @ \$100 per hour.

Mrs. Formica asked for a motion to approve payment for the Mudsharks band entertainment of \$300.

Mrs. Carnes made the motion. Mrs. Sanchez second the motion.

#### **Upon Roll Call Vote:**

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

**NAYS:** none

**ABSTENTIONS:**

**APPROVED**

- Fireworks – Fire Department confirmed availability.
- Dream Scape Petting Zoo asked for a list of event dates recreation would like them to participate in.

#### **Event Budgets:**

- Franklin Nite - \$2000

Mrs. Formica asked for a motion to approve a budget for Franklin Nite in the amount of \$2000.

Mrs. Carnes made the motion. Mrs. Sanchez second the motion.

#### **Upon Roll Call Vote:**

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

**NAYS:** none

**ABSTENTIONS:**

**APPROVED**

- Fishing Derby - \$250
  - In-person registration, 16 and older needs a fishing license, derby open to all NJ residents 20 and older.

Mrs. Formica asked for a motion to approve a budget for the Fishing Derby in the amount of \$250.

Mrs. Sanchez made the motion. Mrs. Carnes second the motion.

#### **Upon Roll Call Vote:**

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

**NAYS:** none

**ABSTENTIONS:**

**APPROVED**

**Recreation Area-Field Use Fees/Liability Insurance:**

- Committee further discussed a field use fee for the pavilion.
- Committee made a recommendation to set a \$50 field use fee for the pavilion for non-residence, free to Franklin residents, but all need to have liability insurance.
- Secretary, Suzann Brush, to let Mrs. Heath Council Liaison know of this change and bring it to the attention of the ordinance committee.

**Recycling Plastic Bag Program:**

- Secretary, Suzann Brush, updated the committee on the details of the program.
- Committee decided not to participate in this program.

**Flea Market:**

- Tabled to next meeting, Mrs. Nahrwold absent.

**Innovative Laser Creations:**

- Boy Scout, Eagle Plaques came in. Mrs. Carnes will bring to Eagle Scout ceremony.
- Thor's updated replacement sign came in, committee voted on invoice charge.

Mrs. Formica asked for a motion to approve the charge for Thor's replacement sign in the amount of \$92.95.

Mrs. Sanchez made the motion. Mrs. Carnes second the motion.

**Upon Roll Call Vote:**

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

**NAYS:** none

**ABSTENTIONS:**

**APPROVED**

**NEW BUSINESS:****Vendors:**

- Committee reviewed vendors.
- Committee voted to waive fees for Girls Scouts for the Carnival and Franklin Nite.
- Girl Scouts going to serve pizza at Franklin Nite.

Mrs. Formica asked for a motion to waive the vendor fees for Girls Scouts for the Carnival and Franklin Nite.

Mrs. Carnes made the motion. Mrs. Sanchez second the motion.

**Upon Roll Call Vote:**

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

**NAYS:** none

**ABSTENTIONS:**

**APPROVED**

**Field Use:**

- Hunger Coalition pop up market at the pavilion, June 11<sup>th</sup> 9am-12pm – approved.
- NJ Stags Football (BJ Freeland), football field with lights, Thursday evenings 5-8pm.
  - Waiting on application/fees. Committee agrees, with the understanding they will coordinate with Walkkill Valley Recreation Football.

**Fall Festival Date/Time:**

- Tables to next meeting.
- Possibly the same date as the Mineral Show.

**Event set-up/breakdown procedures:**

- Franklin Nite – Starting at 12:00, have to be set up by 3:00.

**Walkkill Valley Rotary:**

- Carolyn King reached out to the Borough to inquire about what donations they could make to recreation.
- Committee made some suggestions: Park Bench, Franklin Sign coming into town by Hardyston School, flag poles/brackets for the bridge flags, and refurbish horseshoe pits by the grilling area.

- Molly Hubbard is going to inquire about the Girl Scouts updating the horseshoe pits.

**OPEN PUBLIC SESSION #2:**

No comments from the public.

**MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS:**

**A Taste of Franklin:**

- Committee discussed the idea of hosting a Taste of Franklin event, and what local food establishments could be reached out to.

**Girl Scouts:**

- Going to participate in the Fall Festival.

**50's Night/Car Show:**

- Committee decided to cancel this event.

**Movie Night:**

- Original Jurassic Park, tentative June 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup>.

**AJOURNMENT:**

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

Mrs. Sanchez made the motion. Seconded by Mrs. Carnes.

All were in favor.

\*The meeting was adjourned at 8:37pm