

WYCKOFF DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
REGULAR MEETING

September 17, 2007

Andy Wingfield opened the Recreation Board Meeting at 7:35 p.m. in the Recreation Office with the reading of the Open Public Meetings Act. "This Regular meeting of the Wyckoff Department of Parks and Recreation Board is now in session. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting has been posted on the Bulletin Board in the Memorial Town Hall and the Recreation Office; a copy has been filed with the Township Clerk, *The Ridgewood News*, *The Record*, and *The North Jersey Herald and News* all papers with general circulation throughout the Township of Wyckoff." At least 48 hours prior to this meeting the agenda was similarly posted, filed and mailed to said newspapers.

Members Present: Gary Ward, Dave Connolly, Richard Wiener, Jim Madormo, Ray Papera, Russell Whiteman, Heidi Misovic

Staff Present: Andy Wingfield, Recreation Director

Absent: Bill Van Thunen, Andy Kupec, Dan Hartigan

Practice Tennis Court/Lacrosse Wall –

- The wall near the tennis courts is complete, but for a final seal coat on the wall itself. 90% of the cost of this project was funded by the Lacrosse Boosters. The Township paid for the gravel and asphalt surface.

Tennis Court Improvement Project -

- Demolition of the tennis courts is underway.
- Bids for new energy efficient outdoor sports lighting have been received and a contract awarded.
- The suggestion of increasing badge fees to help offset the cost of reconstruction was addressed. Andy proposed a \$10 increase bringing the fee to \$35 for individuals and \$55 for families. Senior and child fees would remain at \$15 and the out-of-town user fee would remain at \$5 per use. Board agreed with fee adjustments.

Open Space Grant –

- The Township is applying for an Open Space Grant for recreational facility enhancements to replace the outdated Pulis field sprinkler system and to pave the parking lot. It is estimated that the parking lot will accommodate more cars with clearly defined parking stalls. The cost of the sprinkler system is approximately \$30, 000.

Winter Recreation Registration –

- Registration is upcoming for the following sports:
 - Travel Basketball \$80 - Recreation Office
 - Sept. 15 - Sept. 26, 2008, weekdays, 9am-4pm
 - Roller Hockey \$50 - \$55 - Eisenhower School Cafeteriorium
 - Sept 29, 2008, 6-7:15pm,
 - Sept 30, 2008, 6-7:15pm,
 - Sept 29-Oct 3, 2008, 9am-4pm

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- Registration will be held on Saturday, October 27th and Saturday, November 3rd from 12-2pm at the Eisenhower School Cafeteriorium for the activities listed below.
 - Boys and Girls Recreation Basketball, Grades 5-8, \$55
 - Boys and Girls Recreation Basketball, Grades 3-4, \$50
 - Wrestling, \$55
 - Boys and Girls Lacrosse, Grades 1-2, Winter Clinic, \$50
 - Boys SPRING Lacrosse, Grades 3-8, \$80 (includes \$25 US Lacrosse Registration)
 - Travel Basketball Cheerleading, Grades 5-8, \$50
 - High School Recreation Basketball, Grades 9-12, \$55
 - Adult Open Gym Basketball, \$50

Background Checks –

- A discussion was held about requiring background checks for all volunteer coaches. According to several Recreation Board members, because several surrounding towns have instituted them, the question is being raised around the community.
- Andy pointed out that there is a significant cost, as well as, logistic considerations that need to be taken into account before going forward with this discussion. Need to establish what the administrative costs would be before continuing discussion. Andy will investigate these items.
- Andy also advised that Township Committee involvement would also be required and that the Township Committee would have the final decision on whether or not to move forward with this idea.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05.

Russell Whiteman
Wyckoff Department of Parks and Recreation
Board Secretary