

**RAMSEY POOL COMMISSION**  
**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2019**

The monthly meeting of the Pool Commission was called to order on Wednesday, January 16, 2019, at 8:00 p.m. by Mr. Bach, Pool Manager. Also present were Mr. Haskell, Mrs. Hewitt, Mrs. Hoffman, Mr. Jost, Mrs. Maurer, Mrs. Suarez, Commission members, Council Liaison Jones, and Mrs. Dey, Secretary.

In accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey, public notice of the meeting was published in The Record and The Ridgewood News and posted in the Municipal Building.

Mrs. Dey read the Open Public Meetings Law.

Councilman Jones swore in Mrs. Hoffman and Mrs. Maurer.

The election of officers was held, with the following results: Mrs. Hewitt nominated Mr. Haskell as chairman, seconded by Mr. Jost. There were no further nominations. Motion carried. Mr. Jost nominated Mrs. Hewitt as vice-chairman, seconded by Mrs. Suarez. There were no further nominations. Motion carried.

**MINUTES**

Upon motion by Mrs. Hewitt, seconded by Mrs. Suarez, the minutes of the October 17, 2018 meeting were approved as amended.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

George Bumiller, 39 Lakeview Terrace, Chance Parker, 11 Park Place, and Martin Vesey, 5 Park Place, were present. Mr. Bumiller tape recorded the meeting. Mr. Parker brought playground information which he left with Mr. Bach, noting that Spring Lake Park in Wyckoff has an excellent playground. He also mentioned crosswalk safety to go along with the reduced speed limit, accessibility of the playground year-round, the construction schedule, and any change orders.

**REPORT OF THE POOL MANAGER (AGENDA ITEMS)**

The target date for completion of the current construction at the pool is Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, depending upon the weather. The colors have been selected. Mrs. Suarez asked for some clarification, asking if the senior center portion of the project will also be completed by May 12<sup>th</sup>. Councilman Jones provided the update. Mr. Agnelli needed to be replaced and a new firm was retained to handle the DEP submissions. The DEP is currently reviewing the plans for the senior center addition which is to be bid under a separate contract along with the parking on the right side. Drainage improvements are included in the project. There is no set timeline for the completion of the senior center; however, the seniors will be able to use the community center as soon as it is completed. Councilman Jones will get the latest update at the next meeting of the governing body.

Mr. Bach went over the draft of the Ramsey Pool Budget, prepared as of 1/11/2019. He noted that the minimum wage will be going up. There is capital project funding in the amounts of \$130,000 for the pavilion and \$125,000 for the playground. Councilman Jones noted that there is a \$42,500 Bergen County Open Space grant for the pavilion. Electricity will be run to the pavilion. There will be charcoal grills.

Mr. Bach also distributed the Ramsey Municipal Pool Rates Report which went back to the 2015 rates. The rates for 2019 will be established and voted upon at the February meeting.

**REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN/BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**-None

**REPORT OF THE COUNCIL LIAISON**-None

**SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Activities**

Mr. Bach has already booked several parties. The eighth grade party will be held on Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. The pool will open full-time on Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>; the pool will open for weekends beginning on Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>. Three bands are already scheduled. Band and other activity suggestions can be shared with Mr. Bach.

**Swim Team**

Nicky DeCaro will be returning as the swim team coach.

**By-Laws**

The by-laws had been distributed via e-mail by Mrs. Dey. Mr. Haskell asked about alternates and the procedure for moving an alternate to a regular position. Mrs. Dey was asked to provide the current terms for the Pool Commissioners. Upon motion by Mrs. Hewitt, seconded by Mr. Haskell, the by-laws were unanimously approved as received. They will be posted on the borough website.

**Facilities**

Since the playground should take about a month to build, the final decisions regarding equipment should be made at the February meeting. Mr. Bach referenced the playground survey which will be available on the pool website only.

Councilman Jones reported on a proposed town-wide lightning detection system.

**OLD BUSINESS**-None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mrs. Hewitt shared her ideas for a grand opening party which would be for families. She suggested a pirate theme and mentioned several ideas to carry out that theme, including a scavenger hunt. It will be scheduled for June. An adults-only party, like the 2018 luau, will be scheduled for later in the 2019 season.

Mr. Bach had e-mailed the Ramsey Municipal Pool Job Application 2019 to the Commissioners.

There was discussion about running the concession stand internally or continuing to outsource it. That discussion will be continued at the February meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Mrs. Suarez, seconded by Mr. Jost, and approved unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Upon motion by Mr. Haskell, seconded by Mrs. Suarez, and approved unanimously, the meeting moved into executive session at 8:55 p.m. The executive session ended at 8:56 p.m.

***The next meeting of the Pool Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00 p.m., at borough hall.***