

RAMSEY POOL COMMISSION
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2019

The monthly meeting of the Pool Commission was called to order on Wednesday, March 20, 2019, at 8:02 p.m. by Vice-Chairman Hewitt. Also present were Mr. Haskell (arrived at 8:30 p.m.), Mrs. Hoffman, Mr. Jost, Mrs. Maurer, Mrs. Suarez, Commission members, Council Liaison Jones, Mr. Bach, Pool Manager, 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.

MINUTES

Upon motion by Mrs. Hewitt, seconded by Mrs. Hoffman, the minutes of the February 20, 2019 meeting were approved as received.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Neeva and Lance Leibowitz, 62 Garland Avenue, asked whether the construction at the pool will be completed before Opening Day. Councilman Jones responded that the work is on or close to schedule; they are fully aware of all deadlines and there will be penalties should those deadlines not be met. Contingencies have been discussed should the work not be completed in time for Opening Day. Regardless of construction delays, it is expected that the pool will be open for Memorial Day weekend. Mrs. Leibowitz also asked about the status of a chair locker room for the season. Mr. Bach noted that there will not be a chair locker room for the 2019 season, but he is looking into other options such as large bike racks or storage in the office. Something for chair storage will be built for the 2020 season. George Bumiller, 39 Lakeview Terrace, and Martin Vesey, 5 Park Place, were also present. Mr. Bumiller tape recorded the meeting.

REPORT OF THE POOL MANAGER (AGENDA ITEMS)

CapturePoint is up and running. Mr. Bach will send out an e-mail blast to last year's membership. Mrs. Dey will send out an e-mail blast to the borough's pool and recreation lists. The "early bird" rates end on Wednesday, May 1st.

Contracts, including those for the pool start-up and landscaping, will be going out soon.

Liam Nelson was present to explain his proposed Eagle Scout project, a Gaga Ball Pit for the pool. The game is played in the schools, so the Ramsey students are familiar with it. He briefly explained the game rules. The structure would be located in front of the guard shelter, utilizing a 20-foot x 20-foot space. The pit is in the form of an octagon, with eight-foot sides. It would be stained once it is completed. The labor would be completed by his troop with materials that he would supply. He anticipates that the project would be completed during two weekends; the construction process is a quick

one. A plaque with the rules would be part of the construction. The cost for the project should not exceed \$3,374; he will be looking for donations. Upon motion by Mr. Jost, seconded by Mrs. Hewitt, Liam Nelson's Eagle Scout project was unanimously approved. A timeline will be established with Mr. Bach.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN/BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS-None

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL LIAISON

The Ramsey Pool is again the Best Pool in Bergen County. Councilman Jones offered congratulations from the governing body.

The Ramsey Journal will be out in April.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Activities

A band is needed for Friday, July 5th. Bands could also be scheduled for the first and second weekends in August.

Swim Team-None

By-Laws-None

Facilities

Scott Fenton will be meeting with Mr. Bach and Borough Administrator Vozeh regarding the pool playground. Mr. Jost had done some research about sand versus a rubber base. Sand would be cooler. Sand could be put down initially and then switched to a rubber base. Once a rubber base is put down, sand would not be an option. A sprinkler head could be put near the sand so that the children could wash off before going in the pool or going home.

Pete LaBarbiera of Pete and Mary's was present regarding his continuing concession stand work at the Ramsey pool. He mentioned the option to keep the stand in-house and he offered to mentor should that option be selected. Some equipment from the old stand could be used in the new stand. Whatever equipment is needed will be ordered soon. He is aware of the new minimum wage law. He noted that he stresses safety. He provides a balanced menu with stable prices. Traditionally, the refreshment stand contract is awarded to the highest bidder. That decision should be made by the end of March/early April.

OLD BUSINESS-None

NEW BUSINESS-None

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mrs. Hewitt, seconded by Mrs. Hoffman, and approved unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

***The next regular meeting of the Pool Commission is scheduled for
Wednesday, April 17th, at 8:00 p.m., at borough hall.***