

RAMSEY RECREATION COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MEETING

AUGUST 19, 2019

The regular meeting of the Ramsey Recreation Commission was called to order by Mr. Popolo at 7:32 p.m. Also present were Mr. Blasius, Mr. Winterhalter, Commissioners, Council Liaison Verdone, and Recreation Director Patterson. Mr. Kemp, Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mr. Mannion, Mrs. Oliver, and Mr. Siraki were absent.

Mr. Mannion still needs to be sworn in.

MINUTES

Due to the lack of quorum, the minutes of the April 15, 2019 meeting will be approved at the September meeting. The July meeting had been cancelled.

ACTIVITY REPORTS (OLD/NEW BUSINESS)

Camp went very well with almost four hundred campers. It was closed two or three times due to the weather. There was some discussion about what would be done if there is lightning in the area. The VFW will be taking over the Senior Center at Finch Park when the Senior Center is completed at the pool. Mr. Tireman would like to eliminate sixth graders from camp since many of them do not fully participate in camp activities. Following discussion, it was decided by the Commissioners in attendance that an e-mail blast will be sent with the information about the 2020 camp for kindergartners through fifth graders only.

Chris Azouri may run his 3v3 fundraiser next year.

A "Movie in the Park" will not be held this year. Perhaps two will be scheduled in 2020, one of which will probably be "Incredibles 2."

Home Run Derby began in 1971 and Ramsey was one of the participating communities that year. The Phillies will be doing something to celebrate fifty years of Home Run Derby and Ramsey will also be observing fifty years. Participation in this year's Home Run Derby was light. Publicizing the 2020 derby will be stepped up, beginning with the Fall Journal.

An excellent RIFE event was held at the pool on Wednesday, August 14th. Challenger Soccer will begin at Dater School in September and will run for eight weeks. The "Bounce Out the Stigma" program will be scheduled with Mike Simmel.

Councilman Verdone provided municipal pool updates. The drainage work will go out to bid on Wednesday, August 21st. The bocce courts will be moved closer to East

Oak Street. He also initiated a discussion about pickleball and the pickleball courts and participation in the Senior Olympics. There was a suggestion to use the roller rink at Finch Park for a pickleball court.

Playoffs are underway for adult softball and the Over 50 softball programs.

The plans for the upcoming Ramsey Run on Saturday, September 14th were reviewed. The banners are up. CompuScore has been contacted. DJ Rob will be in attendance. The donation from Shop-Rite has been requested and will be given. The medals have been ordered. The t-shirts are blue. Registrations have begun using CapturePoint. The sponsor letter is going out. An ad was put in Ramsey Neighbors. People to take care of the water stops are needed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

