

BOROUGH OF SEA GIRT
Recreation Commission
REGULAR MEETING – VIRTUAL VIA ZOOM PLATFORM
February 6th 2024 – 7:00PM
Meeting Minutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 6th, 2024 WILL BE A VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM; THE MEETING WILL COMMENCE AT 7:00 PM. PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO LOG INTO THE MEETING:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87817075655>
Webinar ID: 878 1707 5655

Agenda

- **CALL TO ORDER** - Meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm
- **SALUTE OF THE FLAG**
- **COMPLIANCE STATEMENT** – Read by Commissioner D’Altrui

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L.1975: adequate notice of this meeting has been given by posting the Notice on the Borough’s Bulletin Board and by transmitting the Notice to the Borough’s two official newspapers, *The Asbury Park Press* and *The Coast Star*, as required by law.

1. Roll Call *

	Present	Absent
Commission Chair D’Altrui	x	
Commissioner Leddy	x	
Commissioner Perry	x	
Commissioner Reid	x	
Commissioner Loughlin	x	

*Also present was Jen Bredin, Recreation Director. Chief Macko, Councilwoman DiFeo and Councilman Perry attended via Zoom.

2. Approve Minutes from 11/14/23 Recreation Commission Meeting – A motion was made by Commissioner Leddy, Seconded by Commissioner Loughlin and approved unanimously to approve the meeting minutes.

3. Personnel – Vote to approve hiring of Holly Boyer as Sea Girt Summer Recreation Camp Director Salary of \$5,000. Commissioners voted yes unanimously via roll call to approve the hiring of Holly Boyer. We are excited to have her on board and look forward to working with her. She will be invited to attend the next Rec Commission meeting in May to discuss additional details re: Rec Camp. The Commissioners also unanimously voted to waive rec camp fees for her two children that attend.

4. Recap/Discussion of Fall/Winter Programs/Events

Veterans Breakfast – was a huge success. Thank you to Ray's Café – had approx. 50 attendees this year.

Tree Lighting – another successful event. Discussion included trying to scale back the size of the crowd for next year so we are going to reach out to thank the East Coast Dancers for their participation at the event but next year we want to see if the crowd size is more manageable without the dancers. Given the artisan market that takes place concurrently the event has gotten very large.

Patriot Polar Plunge – Huge Success! Commissioner D'Altrui thanked all involved, including DPW, the SG Police, State Troopers, Rod's, and all the volunteers that assisted. There were 545 registered for this event that continues to grow every year. \$47,000.00 was raised for the LIFT fund to assist veterans with home repairs. The commissioners and Chief Macko also applauded the efforts of Commissioner D'Altrui as he spearheads this event.

Winter Rec Basketball – Did not run this program – no registrants. Discussion to investigate offering volleyball perhaps next year in replacement of Winter Rec basketball to see if that is of interest to residents.

Yoga/Fitness Classes – Jen Bredin will coordinate with the yoga instructors to see if we can incorporate a Chair Yoga class into the AM yoga offerings at St. Uriel's. One resident reached out to see if this is possible. The yoga instructors will be offering weekend and perhaps evening courses in the near future as well and Jen Bredin will look into the fee structure of neighboring towns for yoga classes, in particular for seniors.

Paddle Clinics – These begin 2 weeks from the meeting date.

5. Discussion of Spring/Summer Events

Boat Safety/Licensing Class – 2/24 and 2/25 at SGES - so far 11 registered.

Easter Egg Hunt – 11 AM – 1 PM at the library and plaza – 3/23 (rain date 3/24). Peer Leaders will be asked to assist with stuffing the eggs – ordered more eggs to hold back this year in case some kids do not get any during the hunt. Petting Zoo and face painter are booked.

Motors on Main car show - 5/4/23 9 AM – 1 PM.

Pickleball Clinics/Open Play – registration for clinics opens March 4th. Evaluation of open play continues – encourage feedback from residents on open play.

Open Mic Night – in coordination with Mr. Mundie at SGES we will offer this again to SG residents – 3/20 – at SGES.

Fratello's Art Class – So far, 2 registrants for this paint and sip party. Happy to bring this type of program back to Rec's offerings.

Munchkin Soccer – registration not open yet– program is usually in late May. We will see if we get interest this spring to run the program.

SG Fishing Camp – Commissioner Leddy is reaching out to locals with an interest in fishing to put a camp together that will run in late August. More details to come.

Movies on the Beach – Dates/Movie Suggestions – Rec is considering movies for each night – dates will be 7/19 and 8/16 – rain dates 7/20 and 8/18. Jen Bredin is reaching out to a new vendor to obtain pricing for the movies.

Marine Science Camp – dates are July 17-21 and July 24-28. Outside vendor runs this camp that sells out annually and takes place at Beacon beach and Wreck Pond.

6. Summer Recreation Camp

Set fees, camp dates, date to open online application for staff positions

Summer Rec Camp Fees – The following fees were approved unanimously for SG Rec Summer Camp. Note that the fees remain the same as 2023. Registration will open March 1st and the Rec Commission will invite Holly Boyer, Camp Director, to our May meeting to discuss additional details.

Residents:

Full Session:

Early Registration (By May 15): \$285, After \$335 (\$20 increase from 2022)

\$10 discount for 2nd child, \$20 for each subsequent child

Weekly Rate: \$95 (\$15 increase from 2022)

Daily Rate: \$25 (\$5 increase from 2022)

Non-Residents:

Full Session:

Early Registration (By May 15): \$335, After \$385 (\$20 increase from 2022)

\$5 discount for 2nd child, \$10 for each subsequent child

Weekly Rate: \$115 (\$15 increase from 2022)

Daily Rate: \$25 (\$5 increase from 2022)

\$5 fee for daily campers on event days (same as 2022) will remain.

7. Racquet and Beach Sports Committee – Mark Leddy and Kevin Reid

- **Court permits** – The commission is considering implementing a rolling permit renewal system as opposed to one firm date for renewals. The racquet committee is looking into how this change can work and how to notify permit holders of any changes that come as a result if we implement this change.
- **Storage Lockers** – will remain for now.
- **Leaf Blower** – Will be in place at the courts as approved at our last meeting.
- **Paddle Court** – The left side heater is in need of repair – DPW will look into this per Chief Macko.
- **Completion of staining of paddle court apron/boards** – this will be completed in the Spring- largely a volunteer effort.

8. Parks and Recreation Facilities and Equipment Report

- **Completed Projects/Follow up**

Bell Place Tennis Courts – Net Tie Down Repair? - Chief Macko will have DPW look into installing the new anchor needed for the net tie down at the court.

Installation of additional awning in the spring for pickleball on Crescent Court 3 (already purchased and received)

- **New Project – Bocce Court**

Sea Girt Resident Usage Survey Results

90 responded

64 indicated they would use a bocce court to some extent, with many indicating multiple members of the household would use it.

41 indicated they would be interested in playing in a bocce league

**Proposed Location – by Borough Council Buildings and Grounds Committee
Station Park – South end**

Vote to approve funding of construction of one court, not to exceed \$15,000 – Unanimous approval for costs not to exceed \$15,000.00 to construct the bocce court.

Room for 2nd court will be left and additional court added if usage and interest deems it feasible

- **Future Projects/Equipment**

**Sea Girt Recreation Tent – Branded/Heavy Duty for events – not to exceed \$1,500
Approved at last meeting**

**Purchase of Recreation shed for beach rec equipment – not to exceed \$2,000
Approved at last meeting**

**Purchase of Wind/Dust screen for eastern side of Crescent Tennis courts and north side of Bell Place tennis courts – not to exceed \$3,500
Approved at last meeting**

**Purchase Blower(s) and lockers for courts at Crescent and Bell Place? Not to exceed \$1,200
Approved at last meeting**

9. Vote to approve reimbursement of Patriot Polar Plunge expenses - \$1,127.43 for banners, signs and changing pods. Unanimous approval for this reimbursement expense.

10. Report current Recreation Trust Account Balance – Mike D’Altrui – Balance is \$275,077.25

11. Future Meeting Dates for 2024, Feb. 6, May 7, August 13, Nov. 12th

12. Recreation Commission Open Discussion on any item – The Commission is interested in new ideas for the annual resident beach event held in September at the beach. As the luau has taken place for several years, the thought is to come up with another event/theme to bring families together. More to come on this event.

13. Public Comment – Limited to 3 minutes for each participant. Recreation Commission reserves the right to cut comments short if they are considered rude or inappropriate. There were no public comments.

14. Executive Session – No executive session was held.

15. Close Meeting – Meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.