

## Sports Advisory Board Meeting

November 19<sup>th</sup> 2018

Meeting time: 7:05 pm

Started meeting with Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Old Business:**

#### Paperwork/Volunteers:

- Please give Parks and Rec any updated information
- Basketball will have changes coming soon
- Jim asked if it is getting tougher to get volunteers
  1. Meredith said it's always been hard getting volunteers and the ones you get some try but don't understand what they are doing.
  2. Soccer ask for the coaches to volunteer time to get premier spots for practice or basically anything. Soccer merge with Glassboro and it was a successful merge for over 800 families. Numbers went up over 200 this year! Now they are called Monroe Glassboro Youth Soccer
- Nick asked if Parks and Rec has the information requested for the Meghan's Law from Last meeting. Jim didn't bring that information with him at this meeting but told everyone that we will email the information to them via email.

#### Update on Old Business:

- Jim gave an update with the Rec center, he gave a presentation to council about the rec center and why we need it. We did hit a couple of snags:
  1. How much land is donated to the township from the builders
  2. We need access from Tuckahoe & Braves Blvd
  3. They had to move a retention pond
  4. And finally the Survey for the town residents about the rec center, hopefully we can get that rolling out around the spring of 2019.
  5. Council said that this building is needed for our towns and they made a commission to advice with the process but they are unfortunately dragging their feet on this project.
- Nick stated that, this is a lot of money getting involved for our kids
- Jim followed with its simple if you're a Senior citizen that you would Vote No but if you have Kids you would vote yes.
- The sign on Blackhorse Pike the state will give us the property but if they ever needed it back then, they would take it back. Jim still wants to make the area nice but just scaled down due to this issue with the state.
- Frank said we need to make a plan for the money in the kitty fund for Meghan's law because there is a lot of money in there. We should us the money for the scaled down sign and then a % back to the organizations.

- Jim challenged everyone to tell him what we have pride in, in our town. For example our main st, we have problems with our main st, and we need to take it back. Why are we not getting all of our directors and heads of the departments together in a meeting to see what we need to change? Jim is asking that we spend the money in the Meghan law toward an arch on main st and each organization will have a part of the sign. If we can bring some pride back to our town, why are we not doing it?
- Frank said come back with how the Bi-laws are written and if we can even move the money around to participate. A lot of money was collected and we need to make sure that we can do it. Jim is correct the organizations represent 4-5,000 people in town. He then asked what's going on with Jim's job.
- Jim said that the new administration is ready to get rid of me as soon as they can.
- Frank heard that too and they could not give one reason as to why.

### **New Business**

#### Request:

- Basketball might not have a spring league just because so many changes in the Board and no Coaches.
- Soccer gives a 50% off registration fee if the parent coaches their kid.
- Giving people/coaches an incentive to be a coach. It would boost numbers for volunteers.
- The Pfeiffer Community Center is starting to look good we have been refurbishing the building on the outside and now with the hirer of our maintenance man Fred we are working to fix the inside of the building. If any organization is interested in buying a banner to hang in the Pfeiffer Community Center please let us know.
- Soccer bought lights 6 lights for \$25,000 and next year they are looking to buy 4 more lights. They offered to any organization that needs to use it when they are not.
- If each organization could get out our flyer for the Tree lighting on Dec 1<sup>st</sup> P&R would be grateful.
- P&R is looking into getting camera for the Parks, we have had too much vandalism in our park and trying to break into the football shed and other places.
- Parks & Rec and Community Affairs are trying to rent out the Pfeiffer Community Center for private events/weddings/etc...
- Irrigation for fields is not going the way we want it to we need to look into this again.

Meeting closed