

**MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP RECREATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
December 12, 2023**

The December 2023 meeting of the Mansfield Township Recreation Committee was called to order at 7:30pm. Everyone present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPENING STATEMENT - Public notice of this meeting pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act NJSA 10:4.6 to 10:4.21 has been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given in the annual notice which was adopted by Mansfield Township Recreation Committee on January 17, 2023. The Annual Notice was transmitted to the Burlington County Times and the Times of Trenton, filed with the Clerk of the Township of Mansfield, and posted on the official bulletin board at the Municipal Complex. All of the mailing, posting, and filing for this meeting has been accomplished as of January 29, 2023.

ATTENDANCE

Colleen Herbert	Present
Dan Berg	Present
Amanda Firtek	Present
Kristin Mederos	Absent

Blaze Pecenak	Present
Chris Romano	Present
Renee Stevenson	Absent
Matt Collier	Absent

Mickey Rivera	Absent
Justin Parker	Absent
Jim Sullivan	Present

CORRESPONDENCE

- None received.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

- November 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. *Motion to approve by Dan Berg, second by Chris Romano. All in favor.*

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Vendor	Description	Amount	Source
Herc Rentals	Light Pole Rentals, 9/9 - 10/8	\$2,075.00	Soccer Trust
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BSN Sports	25.5" Basketballs (36)	\$288.00	Basketball Current
AD Starr	27.5" Basketballs (40) & Air Pumps (9)	\$999.00	Basketball Current
AD Starr	Score Books (18) & Coach Clipboards (22)	\$366.78	Basketball Current

ACTION ITEMS/PERMITS FOR DISCUSSION/APPROVAL. *Motion to approve by Dan Berg, second by Colleen Herbert. All in favor.*

Organization	Contact	Dates	Fields/Facilities	Insurance	Payment
NJ Wolfpack Baseball	Jason Shafer	11/2023 - 11/2024	Civic; MCP 50/70	Yes	Yes

COORDINATOR REPORT

- External website & domain name expire in February. Will be shut down, inc. mansfieldrec.com email addresses.
- Donation received from NBC Regional Teachers Association (\$1,000). Thank you card mailed 12/7.
- Dicks Sporting Goods Weekend - March 8th - March 10th
- Kristen Mederos not renewing for 2024.
- Township Ordinance on 12/20 Meeting Agenda - Background Checks & Rutgers Safety Clinic.
- Merch Store - Sabrina will reach out to Brian Wolverton to set-up basketball store.

CHAIRPERSON REPORT

- Confirm assessment procedure for all sports. Colleen will prepare for discussion at January meeting.
- Team selection guidelines for all sports. Colleen will prepare for discussion at January meeting.
- Formalize policy regarding accepting players from other NB Townships. Colleen will prepare for discussion at January meeting.
- Redefine/Revise/update sponsorship policy. Colleen will prepare for discussion at January meeting.
- Discuss scholarship fund(raising). Do we want to do an event to raise money for the NBC scholarships?
- Attendance policy for committee members in Township Code 39C. Recreation Committee.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Facilities (Dan Berg)

- All fields are currently closed for the rest of the year and the beginning of the new year.
- The target open date for all baseball and softball fields will be the first week of March. Minimal work will need to be done since fields were maintained and active much later this year which is great for the start of the season.

- Moving all remaining L screens from the indoor cage to the storage area in the upcoming weeks.
- The indoor cage is up a running with use and everything is going well at this point.
- Need projected dates for NBIAA and Mansfield Rec baseball and softball assessments ASAP.

Baseball (Chris Romano/Amanda Firtek)

- Increase in baseball registration fees approved for 2024; on Township Committee agenda for 12/20.
 - Wiffle: Current \$10 / Proposed \$25
 - T-Ball: Current \$40 / Proposed \$50
 - Rookie: Current \$100 / Proposed \$100
- Registration opens in January. Add \$25 late registration fee.
- Sponsorships increase to \$200 team.
- Assessments - Monday, March 4th, 6 - 9pm
- Practices starting March 11th.
- Preseason training clinic 3/16 & 3/17 at Civic in collaboration with the NB High School teams.
- Homerun Derby fundraiser.
- Need to order baseballs for Rookie levels. (Starr-5.)
- Team Sideline Registration - Add disclaimer for coaches for Background Check & Rutgers Training.

Soccer (Blaze Pecenek/Amanda Firtek)

- No report.

Basketball (Matt Collier/Renee Stevenson)

- Basketball Picture Day - Monday, January 8th. Team or composition photos?
- 162 enrollments:
 - Kindergarten - 31 (3 groups)
 - Rookie Boys - 38 (5 teams)
 - Rookie Girls - 17 (2 teams)
 - Minor Boys - 23 (3 teams)
 - Minor Girls -17 (2 teams)
 - Major Boys - 21 (3 teams)
 - Major Girls -15 (2 teams)
- All teams are sponsored.
- Jerseys, kindergarten t-shirts & coach shirts ordered.
- Games begin the first week in January.

Northern Burlington Jr. Greyhounds Football/Cheerleading (Mickey Rivera)

- No report.

Northern Burlington Soccer Club (Blaze Pecenek)

- No report.

NBIAA Baseball (Ken Saganowski/Jason Shafer)

- No report.

NBIAA Softball (CJ Janis)

- No report.

NBIAA Basketball (Shawn Fitzpatrick)

- No report.

Mud Dogs Lacrosse (Kristin Mederos/Mike Lovenduski)

- No report.

Hamilton/Northern Babe Ruth (Jean Anderson)

- No report.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mud dogs need board members.
- Next NB Recreation Meeting, 12/18. Basketball & Baseball/Softball.

Public Comment - None

Motion to Adjourn @ 8:31pm. Motion to adjourn by Dan Berg Second by Chris Romano. All in favor.

Next Meeting: January 16, 2024, 7:30pm. Reorganization meeting followed by regular meeting.