

MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP RECREATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
September 12, 2023
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The September 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	Present

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

Mickey Rivera	Present
Justin Parker	Present
Vacant	

CORRESPONDENCE

- None received.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

- August 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. *Motion by Dan Berg. Second by Chris Romano. All in favor.*

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Vendor	Items	Amount	Source
Powers Electric	Repair wiring/replace light bulbs on Civic Scoreboard	\$239.91	Baseball Current
Crown Awards	Soccer Medals	\$839.99	Soccer Current
BSN Sports	Net Clips, box of 50	\$55.00	Soccer Current
NBSC	September Referee Fees	\$390.00	Soccer Current
BSN Sports	72" Pop Up Soccer Goals, 3 sets	\$225.00	Soccer Current
BSN Sports	7x21 Kwik Goal Nets & Net Clips, box of 50	\$215.00	Soccer Current
B&D Screen Printing	Soccer Jerseys & Socks	\$3,790.00	Sponsorship Trust

ACTION ITEMS/PERMITS - *Motion to approve both requests by Dan Berg. Second by Blaze Pecenak. All in favor.*

Organization	Contact	Dates	Fields/Facilities	Insurance	Payment
NB U10 Travel	CJ Janis	8/2023 – 8/2024	MCP & Civic	Y	Y
NB U12 Travel	Kevin Colgan	8/2023 – 8/2024	MCP & Civic	Y	Y

COORDINATOR REPORT

- MCP Batting Cage Repair - Fencing arrived Monday, 9/11. Installation within the next two weeks. To take 2-3 days.
- Georgetown Batting Cage - Getting estimates to replace fencing - or - replace/enlarge entire cage.
- Merch Store - Contacted Showcase Sports. Work in progress. Delayed due to other priorities.

CHAIRPERSON REPORT

- Update on Inter-Township Coordination Meetings - Monthly meetings being held with coordinators from each town in league to discuss programs.
- Country Walk Playground - Colleen soliciting donations from area businesses and developers. Other committee members are welcome to do the same.
- Registration Late Fees - A \$25 late fee will be applied to ALL programs for registrations after the due date.
- Zoom - Committee members and interested parties from other organizations should attempt to make meetings in person. In the event that is not possible, a Zoom meeting will be scheduled as needed.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Facilities (Dan Berg)

- Field inspection will take place this month. Just a review of anything needed for repair.

- Sheds will be cleaned out over the next two months and prep for the spring will be done. Anything needing repair or replacement will be reported to Sabrina and or Frank so it can be done. Will also take a look at the field machines and report back to Frank on any repairs needed.
- All the baseball and softball equipment will be gone through and inventoried for ordering purposes. This will be done by October so anything needed will be good to go.
- A new pitching mound was installed at Georgetown Park. It looks great and just waiting on the cover to come for it.
- All soccer fields set up and ready to go for the opening weekend. Great job by the Soccer Committee to get everything rolling and looking great and functioning so well!!!

Baseball (Chris Romano)

- Drills & Skills Fall Clinic - 8-week program running Fridays, 6 - 7pm, Sept 15th through November 3rd at the Civic Club baseball field and indoor training facility. 25 players and three coaches registered. \$20pp cost includes a clinic t-shirt. Sabrina has ordered t-shirts, to be delivered this week. Dan assisted with getting equipment to the facility for the first session this Friday.
- Registration Fees - Increase in baseball registration fees proposed for 2024. Chris & Amanda to prepare recommendations.
- Scheduling of Little League & Cal Ripken meetings. Colleen waiting to hear back from Cal Ripken rep. Dan suggested meeting with Little League rep first to determine feasibility.

Soccer (Blaze Pecenek/Amanda Firtek)

- Final #'s: 186 players; 32 coaches (5 coaching 2 teams)
 - PreK - 21 players; 3 teams
 - Kindergarten (U6) - 37 players; 5 teams
 - 1st Grade (U7) - 30 players; 3 teams
 - 2nd Grade (U8) - 21 players; 2 teams
 - 3rd & 4th Grade Girls (U10) - 19 players; 2 teams
 - 3rd & 4th Grade Boys (U10) - 25 players; 2 teams
 - 5th & 6th Grade Girls (U12) - 15 players; 1 team
 - 5th & 6th Grade Boys (U12) - 18 players; 1 team
- All 19 teams are sponsored. All sponsorship payments have been received. Sponsorships covered 100% of the uniform costs. Uniforms look great! (Thanks Sabrina)
- Public Works prepped fields, replaced most goal nets (existing stock) and clips. Assembled new set of 7x21 goals. Moved player benches from Hedding to Civic Field.
- Matches
 - Began 9/9. Week 1 is in the books.
 - All Mansfield teams reporting won or tied this weekend.
 - Had to contract to eight-game season for scheduling purposes.
- Fields
 - Those sites visited reported nothing but positive feedback.
 - Working on field-lining schedule. Select few or open to volunteers?
 - Work with mowing schedule.
 - Rental light poles delivered to MCP on 9/8.
- Colleen will request updated quote from field lining company for consideration.

Basketball (Renee Stevenson/Matt Collier)

- NB Recreation Basketball Coordinator Meeting, 9/18, 8pm.
- Preseason Clinic prior to assessments. The purpose of clinic is to make the youth aware of the skills they will be assessed on and to help them know how to increase their skills. **Date TBD.**
- Registration open - October 2nd - October 27th. (*Sabrina*)
- Assessments - Wednesday, November 1st. (*Renee/Matt*)
- Rosters completed - 2nd week November. (*All + Coaches*)
- Jerseys ordered by November 10th. (*Sabrina*)
- Equipment bags prepped and distributed week of November 13th. (*Renee/Matt*)
- Practices start - November 27th.
- 1st through 6th grade games are scheduled by NBIAA. Run the first week of January through the first week of March.
- Kindergarten does **not** play games. Skills clinics only.

- John Hydock is likely not available this year. Tony B suggests purchasing three wall brackets with removable rims that can be installed in MTES gym at 6 feet for the kindergarten program. (This is what Springfield uses.) Colleen to contact Superintendent to discuss.
- Chairpersons are welcome to solicit subcommittee members, hold separate meeting to coordinate, and report back at next rec committee meeting.
- Sabrina to get Renee and Matt access to Basketball email address and Team Sideline.

Northern Burlington Soccer Club (Blaze Pecenak)

- South Jersey Girls Soccer League (SJGSL) started on Saturday.
- South Jersey (Boys) Soccer League (SJSL) started on Sunday.
- Eastern Developmental Program (EDP) - teams that scheduled early started last weekend.

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

- 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 (Brenda Lawyer/Brian Kuser)

- No report.

Hamilton/Northern Babe Ruth (Jean Anderson)

- Colleen trying to arrange time to discuss facility use fees with Jean.

NEW BUSINESS

- Introduction and approval of new committee member. Sabrina to submit to Municipal Clerk for inclusion and approval at the 9/20 Township Committee meeting.
 - Jim Sullivan - Motion by Chris Romano. Second by Kristin Mederos. All in favor.
- Sabrina will request the Municipal Clerk to attend the next meeting to issue Oath to the new committee members.

Public Comment - None

Motion to Adjourn @ 8:37pm by Dan Berg. Second by Blaze Pecenak. All in favor.

Next Meeting: October 10th, 7:30pm.