

**JOINT MEETING OF
Bernards Township Recreation, Parks & Pathways Advisory Committee,
Pool Commission & Golf Advisory Committee
JANUARY 28, 2019
MEETING MINUTES
Approved, March 18, 2019 by Golf Advisory Committee
Approved, March 4, 2019 by Pool Commission as Amended
Approved, April 1, 2019 by Recreation, Parks & Pathways Advisory Committee**

1. CALL TO ORDER – Jennifer Gander called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ROLL CALL

Golf Advisory Committee

Members Present: Michael Conley, John Gunning, Joan Harris, Timothy O'Rourke, Peter Tobia (A7:04P)

Members Absent: Michael Conley, Ana McCarthy, Jr., John Meany,

Pool Commission

Members Present: Carol Bianchi, Andrew Provence, John Salaki, Jr., Craig Wilson

Members Absent: Widette Fox, Rich Moschello, Bernadette Reilly, Theodore Renz, Joanne Wachenfeld

Recreation, Parks & Pathways Advisory Committee

Members Present: Charles Cunion, Joan Harris, Victor Hatala (A7:06), Debbie King, Jim Milito, Goutham Puppala. Anna Scanniello, Deborah Nungester

Members Absent: Michael Conley, Jr, Ned Nelson, Carol Regner, Daniel Salvante

Non-members of all committees who were present: John Biondi (Pool Manager), Jennifer Gander, Sean O'Grady, Kelly Kellaway, Carmen Miscal (Golf Manager), Matt Sullivan (Shearon), Chris Zimmerman

Olivia Colantuono, 48 Deer Ridge Rd, Basking Ridge

Robert Dennis, 32 Forest Trail, Basking Ridge

Steve Raff, 183 Riverside Dr., Basking Ridge

4. MEMBER INTRODUCTION – Members of all committees introduced themselves.
5. RE-ORGANIZATION
 - A. Golf Advisory Committee

- Nominations for 2019 Chairperson – Tim O’Rourke nominated Mike Conley for Chairman, seconded by Peter Tobia. All in favor; motion passed.
- Nominations for 2019 Deputy Chairperson – Peter Tobia nominated Tim O’Rourke for Deputy Chairman, seconded by Mike Conley. All in favor; motion passed.

B. Recreation, Parks & Pathways Advisory Committee

- Nominations for 2019 Chairperson –Debbie King nominated Anna Scanniello for Chairperson, seconded by Jim Milito. All in favor; motion passed.
- Nominations for 2019 Deputy Chairperson – Anna Scanniello nominated Debbie King for deputy chairperson; seconded by Jim Milito. All in favor; motion passed.
- Cultural Arts Project Team Members – Debbie King, Anna Scanniello, Joan Harris and Jim Milito
- Playground Replacement Project Team – Jim Milito, Anna Scanniello, Debbie King and Charlie Cunion

C. Pool Commission

- Nominations for 2019 Chairperson - John Salaki nominated Rich Moschello for Chairperson; seconded by Andy Provence. All in favor; motion passed.
- Nominations for 2019 Deputy Chairperson – Craig Wilson nominated John Salaki for Deputy Chairperson; seconded by Andy Provence. All in favor; motion passed.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Approval of 11-19-18 Golf Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes - Motion made by Mike Conley to approve the Minutes; seconded by Tim O’Rourke, All in favor; motion passed.
- B. Approval of 11-05-18 Recreation, Parks & Pathways Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes Motion made by Anna Scanniello to approve the Minutes, seconded by Debbie King. All in favor; motion passed.
- C. Approval of 10-22-18 Pool Commission Meeting Minutes – Motion made by John Salaki to approve the Minutes; seconded by Carol Bianchi. All in favor; motion passed.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. None

8. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- A. Vendor Registration for Charter Day, May 18, 2019 – Charter Day is May 18. Vendor registration packets will be mailed to applicants who participated in Charter Day 2018 and will get first opportunity if registered by February 22. New applicants will be able to register after February 22.

- B. [Pool](#) & [Golf](#) Membership Update – Jennifer Gander reported on renewal totals to date. Email reminders are sent regularly to those who have not yet renewed. We will be sending out a pool membership renewal reminder postcard again this year. Rates for all memberships will increase March 1. Emails have also been sent to prior year members with re-registration information.
- C. Recreation [Programs](#) & [Trips](#) Update – Jen Gander reported that the recreation office is taking artist registrants for the Annual Community Art Show as well as nominations for the 2019 Mayor’s Arts Awards. Chris Zimmerman provided an update on winter youth basketball. Spring Tennis, Spring Basketball and a new program Adult Pickleball have begun registration. Registration dates for the Summer Recreation Program, Summer Trip Camp and Summer Workshop registration have been announced. Sean reported that all winter adult classes are doing well and registration for men’s adult softball will be held in March. On March 1, registration will open for our two fall Broadway trips. Our spring trips are sold out. Spring senior bus trips to the Sands Casino and Caramoor are also planned.
- D. Recently Completed/Upcoming Park Projects – Rebel hill courts have been refurbished striped for tennis and pickleball. We have hired a company to assist with geese control at Southard Park. Mountain Park Field 1 will be closed and refurbished during the spring season.
- E. Summer Employment Opportunities – Prior season golf, pool and recreation summer program employees have been sent invitations to reapply for 2019. Job Descriptions will be posted for new candidates on/about February 1. The pool will be advertising for one assistant manager and at least one lifeguard supervisor in addition to the other positions.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Approval of By-Laws for 2019 – All Committees – Motion made by Mike Conley to approve the by-laws for 2019; seconded by Craig Wilson. All in favor; motion passed.
- B. Approval of 2019 Volunteer Events – RPP Advisory Committee – Motion made by Debbie King to approve the 2019 RPP Advisory Committee Volunteer Events; seconded by Joan Harris. All in favor; motion passed.

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Idea Exchange - Carol Bianchi said she created Vision 2020 Task Force to help prepare for the update of the Township’s Master Plan. If anyone has any suggestions that may be of use to this task force, please forward them to her.

- 11. PUBLIC COMMENT – Robert Dennis reported that from his personal experience, the conditions over the last two years at the golf course have been poor, especially the long height of the rough. Peter Tobia and John Gunning addressed the concerns and explained what measures have been taken to rectify the issues on the course, specifically with the rough by lowering the starting height. The weather has been a challenge for maintenance, especially this past season.

Steve Raff asked what the consequences were for nonperformance under the maintenance contract. Gander reported that this is not the issue and Shearon has done everything asked of them and is always willing to do more when asked. 2018 was the wettest year on record in NJ and caused extreme delays in maintenance, beyond what is under the contractors control.

Raff asked for follow up on the USGA's course assessment service he suggested at the last meeting. Gander explained that is a fee based service that the course does not have the budget for at this time. He also asked for follow up on a survey of past members. Jen Gander said we would survey past members in the near future.

12. COMMITTEE AND STAFF COMMENTS – Tim O'Rourke suggested we email out members to let them know about the changes in the course maintenance specifications. Andy Provence mentioned that the nets and mats in the batting cages at Mountain Park need to be replaced.

13. MOTION TO ADJOURN – Motion to adjourn made by Mike Conley, seconded by Craig Wilson. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.
Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Kellaway