RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, March 10, 2015
8:00pm
Conference Room ‘B’
Glen Rock’s Borough Hall

ATTENDANCE

The following members and officials were in attendance:
- Joan Orseck, Department of Parks and Recreation Council Liaison
- Mark Sabow, Recreation Advisory Board Chairperson
- Mark Barone, Director of Parks and Recreation
- Carlo Cella, Board of Education Representative
- James Leonard, Glen Rock Baseball and Softball Association
- Jeff Schaefer, Glen Rock Soccer Club
- Ralph Consoli, Glen Rock Youth Basketball League
- Colin Stephenson, Glen Rock Junior Football Association
- Don Grochan, Glen Rock Lacrosse Association
- Karin Speizer, Glen Rock Shooting Stars
- Keith Stewart, Member at Large
- Anne Camp, Member at Large
- Robert Bourne, Guest
- Robert VanLangen, Guest

REPORT READS AS FOLLOWS

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The February 10, 2015 Meeting Minutes were submitted and reviewed by all members in attendance. The February 10th Meeting Minutes were accepted by Jeff Schaefer and seconded by Jim Leonard. Motion was carried.

NEW BUSINESS – 2015 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET REQUESTS

Joan Orseck stated Mark Barone submitted his 2015 Capital Improvement Requests for the Department of Parks and Recreation. As part of his proposal, he included Upper Faber’s Athletic Field to receive a field renovation. As a result, Joan stated the proposed $350,000.00 has been allocated to renovate Upper Faber’s Athletic Field.
OLD BUSINESS - FABER FIELD COMMITTEE

Rob VanLangen was present to update the Recreation Advisory Board of the status of the Faber Field Committee. Rob stated him and Eileen Hillock had a very productive meeting with Sandy Marinos and Mark Barone on Wednesday, March 4th to discuss the implementation of the BOE’s scheduling software, SchoolDude. With that being said, all Organizations (GRBSA, GRLA, GRSS, GRSC, and GRJFA) will be receiving login credentials in order to submit their reservation requests directly into SchoolDude. Each Organization is requested to submit their 2015 Spring schedules on or before Tuesday, March 31st. Rob will be reporting back to the Mayor and Council at their scheduled Work Session on Monday, March 23, 2015.

Sandy Marinos has generously agreed to host a SchoolDude training session for all interested at the High School either, Wednesday, March 18th, Thursday, March 19th, or Sunday, March 22nd. Rob surveyed the members to determine what date works best for everyone. Rob will finalize the date and time with Sandy and will inform everyone.

In addition, Mark Barone will be receiving an elevated login credential in order to make changes/ edit reservations as needed.

RECREATIONAL ATHLETIC ORGANIZATION UPDATES

Glen Rock Baseball Softball Association

- The GRBSA reported they currently have a total of 621 baseball/softball participants (Grades K – 8th) for the upcoming 2015 spring season.
- To date registration is down by 113 participants, approximately 13%.
- The GRBSA will be piloting a new Kickball program, for this upcoming season. The program will be open to individuals who will be 4 or 5 years of ages on or before May 1, 2015. To date the GRBA has a total of 96 participants. The Kickball League will play their games at the softball fields at Sycamore Park and Coleman A and B on Sunday mornings.
- Jim reported the GRBSA currently has 37 baseball teams, 29 softball teams, and 12 kickball teams. In total the GBRSA will be managing 78 teams.
- The 2015 GRBSA season will officially start on Saturday, April 18, 2015. The GRBSA has proposed to the Borough of a new Opening Day Parade Route incorporating a section of Glen Rock’s Downtown District. The parade will start in the Commuter’s Parking Lot behind Dunkin’ Donuts will make a right onto Glen Avenue, then a right onto Rock Road. Afterwards it will travel over the Borough Hall’s train tracks and make a right onto Harding Plaza. It will then cross over Maple Avenue and finish at Wilde Memorial Park, where the Opening Day ceremonies will be held. Joan Orseck stated, that the Borough’s Mayor and Council approved the request at their Work Session Meeting which was held on Monday, March 9th. Jim also stated he will be contacting the Glen Rock Volunteer Fire Department to see if an apparatus would be available to possibly lead the parade.
Jim also noted, that this upcoming season will be the GRBSA’s 60th Anniversary.
The Glen Rock Baseball Softball Association announced they will be presenting a total of $2,000.00 in scholarship money to graduating High School Seniors. One male recipient will be receiving $1,000.00 and one female recipient will be receiving $1,000.00.

Glen Rock Lacrosse Association
- Don Grochan stated the Glen Rock Lacrosse Association is gearing up for the start of their season. With that being said, the GRLA is currently renting indoor field space for pre-season practices.
- Don reported the GRLA’s registration is currently at approximately 400 participants, with all programs included. With that being said, the GRLA is expecting late registrants as in past years.
- The GRLA will be starting a new Kindergarten program for the 2015 spring season.
- The GRLA announced they will be presenting a total of $1,000.00 in scholarship money to graduating High School Seniors. One male recipient will be receiving $500.00 and one female recipient will be receiving $500.00.

Glen Rock Junior Football Association
- The GRJFA reported they recently hosted their monthly meeting on Monday, March 9, 2015, where they voted to rename their Press Box at Upper Faber in memory of Bill Clarke.
- The GRJFA will be purchasing 30 new helmets for the 2015 season. With that being said, all helmets have been replaced within the past 2 seasons.
- Colin informed the RAB members that a new Vice President in addition to a new Flag Football Coordinator has been appointed for the 2015 season.
- The GRJFA announced they will be presenting a total of $1,000.00 in scholarship money to graduating High School Seniors. One male recipient will be receiving $500.00 and one female recipient will be receiving $500.00.

Glen Rock Men’s Softball
- No report submitted.

Glen Rock Soccer Club
- The GRSC hosted their annual Re-Organization Meeting in December in which three new Board Members officially began their term. Jeff Schaefer will remain as President for the GRSC.
- The GRSC reported their 2015 registration officially opened on Wednesday, March 4, 2015. Jeff reported they currently have 40 registrants. The GRSC has implemented a tiered structure for their 2015 Registration Fees. Please see the following information:
  - Early Registration (3/4/15 - 4/30/15) = $85.00/ participant
  - General Registration (5/1/15 - 6/15/15) = $110.00/ participant
  - Late Registration (6/16/15 - ) = $135.00/ participant
In addition, the GRSC has voted to eliminate a Family Cap as part of their 2015 Registration Fees. All fees will be associated for each participant.

The GRSC stated they are working with the GRBSA, GRSS to install a security/automated alarm system for the outdoor bathrooms at the Hamilton School’s Athletic Complex.

The GRSC will be offering a Pre-K Clinic for the 2015 season. The program is open to all 3 and 4 year olds. The Red Bulls along with the GRSC will be hosting the program on Saturday mornings. The Registration Fee is $75.00/participant.

The GRSC has 1 vacant spot on their Executive Board they are still looking to fill.

The GRSC will be offering an in-person registration at Francesca Brick Oven Pizza and Pasta located at 234 Rock Road, Glen Rock on Saturday, April 25th from 9am – 12pm.

The Red Bulls in conjunction with the GRSC will be hosting their annual Soccer Camp at Lower Faber in July. The dates will be announced when available.

The GRSC announced they will be presenting a total of $3,000.00 in scholarship money to graduating High School Seniors. 1 male recipient will be receiving $1,500.00 and one female recipient will be receiving $1,500.00.

Glen Rock Shooting Stars

- The GRSS reported their 2015 spring season is scheduled to start on Sunday, March 22, 2015 (weather permitting).
- The GRSS announced they have added 1 additional High School level boys’ team to their program. The total of teams the Shooting Stars manages is now 22.
- The GRSS announced they will be presenting a total of $3,000.00 in scholarship money to graduating High School Seniors. One male recipient will be receiving $1,500.00 and one female recipient will be receiving $1,500.00.

Glen Rock Youth Basketball League

- Ralph reported the GRYBL will be concluding both their travel and recreation seasons this upcoming weekend (Saturday, March 14 – Sunday, March 15th).
- The GRYBL reported there were approximately 400 registrants who participated in the 2014-2015 season.
- Ralph stated he is interested in scheduling a meeting with Sandy Marinos, Andrea Tahinos, and Mark Barone to discuss the availability of the BOE Gymnasiums and the priority order of reserving the BOE’s facilities.

Glen Rock Junior Wrestling

- No report submitted.

Glen Rock Men’s Basketball

- No report submitted.
GLEN ROCK BOARD OF EDUCATION UPDATE

Carlo Cella was present and informed that the Board of Education voted on Monday, March 9th, 6 – 2 in favor of installing Athletic Lights on the High School’s Stadium Field. With that being said, the BOE might possibly implement a rental charge/service charge to the Recreational Organizations if they utilize the High School’s Athletic Lights at night. Carlo also explained how the electrical conduit was not installed underneath the artificial turf and track as initially thought. A conduit for audio, not electrical, was installed during the renovation of the High School Stadium Field.

Carlo stated that the BOE will be going out to bid for the renovation of the Coleman A and Coleman B Softball Fields. If bids are favorable, the BOE is interested in starting the renovation in June 2015. Once the fields are deemed closed, they will remain offline until early spring 2016.

The poles for the Safety Nets around the High School Baseball Field have arrived. The poles and netting are expected to be installed shortly, in time for the spring season.

GLEN ROCK DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

The outdoor public bathrooms located at Children’s Park and Wilde Memorial Park have been winterized and are currently unavailable for the winter months. Both facilities will re-open during early spring, weather permitting.

All AED’s have been removed from all Athletic and Recreational Facilities, to prevent damage as a result of the low temperatures and inclement weather. Inventory and maintenance will occur during the winter months, and they will be re-deployed during early spring, weather permitting. Mark stated he will be sending out a PDF of the AED Protocol to all Organizations for their review and for them to forward to all Commissioners, Coaches, and Parents.

Mark Barone has successfully completed the Fire Academy at Bergen County’s Law and Public Safety Institute for the Glen Rock Volunteer Department. He has resumed his normal business hours.

Mark stated the 2015 Spring Allocation Schedule is now complete and is available. I will send a PDF to all Organizations for their review.

MEMBERS AT LARGE

- Keith Stewart asked if there was an update to the proposed Lightning Detection System which was included in the 2015 Capital Improvement Request. Joan responded and stated it was approved and if currently in the 2015 Capital Improvement Budget. More information will be announced when available.
PUBLIC COMMENT
- No residents available.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING
Tuesday, April 14, 2015
- 8:00pm
- Conference Room ‘B’
- Glen Rock’s Borough Hall

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Barone
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Director of Parks and Recreation
Borough of Glen Rock, NJ