

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE
READINGTON RECREATION COMMITTEE
October 30, 2019 7:30pm**

A. CALL TO ORDER

- a. Sharon Bobnar-Becker **CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER** at 7:40 pm.

B. ATTENDANCE

- a. Committee Members: Sharon Bobnar-Becker, Melissa Adams, Bill Quinn, Allison Quintard
- b. Township Officials: Director Gabrielle Bolarakis, Assistant Director Brian VanDongen
- c. Township Committee: Deputy Mayor John Albanese

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- a. Approval of the September minutes were **TABLED** due to lack of members present from the previous meeting.

D. OLD BUSINESS

- a. **Survey:** Director Bolarakis indicated that the parks and recreation facility survey was complete. The results were discussed.
- b. **Travel Basketball Tryouts and Team Formation:** Assistant Director VanDongen said that tryouts were held at the end of September. Tryouts were conducted by evaluators from USA Sport Group. There are eight teams formed: Boys 4th, Boys 5th, Boys 6th, Boys 7th, Boys 8th, Girls 4th, Girls 6th, and Girls 8th. Teams have started to practice.
- c. **Facilities:** The new safety net for the softball field at Hillcrest Park Field 1 was installed.
- d. **Holiday Basketball Tournament:** Director Bolarakis and Assistant Director VanDongen talked about the holiday tournament. Registration is currently open for teams. With new facility use requirements at Flemington-Raritan Schools, other alternative locations are being researched.
- e. **Halloween Celebration:** The Halloween Celebration was a great success.

E. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Soccer World Cup:** Assistant Director VanDongen invited the committee to the World Cup, the end of season recreation soccer event.
- b. **Coach Background Appeal Process:** Director Bolarakis indicated that a formalized appeals process for coaches whose background checks come back with a history is needed. Options are being researched and discussed with township administration.
- c. **Girls Lacrosse:** Director Bolarakis indicated that there was a discussion with the Jersey Girls Lacrosse Association and Flemington about Readington players playing out of town. An agreement was made with the organizations for future enrollment.

F. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Ms. Adams made a **MOTION TO ADJOURN** the meeting of the Recreation Committee. **SECONDED** by Ms. Quintard. **VOTE: IN FAVOR:** All present. The motion passes 4-0.
- b. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm

Next meeting of the Recreation Committee: December 4, 2019, 7:30pm

Prepared and respectfully submitted by: Brian VanDongen, CPRP – Assistant Director of Recreation