

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE
READINGTON RECREATION COMMITTEE
February 27, 2019 7:30pm**

A. CALL TO ORDER

- a. Gabrielle Bolarakis **CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER** at 7:30 pm.

B. ATTENDANCE

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

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- a. The approval of the minutes of the January meeting was **TABLED to the March meeting.**

D. OLD BUSINESS

- a. **Tree Inventory Results – Eagle Scout Project:** Dylan Scott is an Eagle Scout candidate from Troop 1969 (Readington, NJ) and completed a Tree Inventory for his Eagle Project. The project entailed identifying the size, species, and health of about 1,000 trees in parks in town. He presented his final report to the committee. The committee was impressed with his work and thanked him for completing this project.
- b. **Winter Program Update:** Director Bolarakis gave an update on the enrollment and status of winter programs. Assistant Director VanDongen indicated that recreation basketball ended the prior Saturday with the “March Madness” event and the season was successful.
- c. **Travel Basketball Update:** Director Bolarakis gave an update on the season for travel basketball. The league playoffs started this week and the season is coming to an end.

E. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Master Plan:** Director Bolarakis reviewed the proposal for a Master Plan as part of the Capital Budget request for 2019 and indicated it will improve the department’s focus for the future once the report is complete.
- b. **Spring Registration:** Director Bolarakis provided a list of spring programs and indicated that program registration for many spring programs is open.
- c. **Basketball Court Construction:** Director Bolarakis gave an update on the basketball court construction at Summer Road Park. An access road needs to be built to allow the equipment to get to the construction site. This access road will become part of the new walking path.
- d. **Minimum Wage Legislation:** Director Bolarakis indicated that the recently enacted state minimum wage legislation will have an effect on programming costs for the next several years as the implementation of the minimum wage for seasonal employees is in graduated steps until 2024.

F. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Mr. Quinn made a **MOTION TO ADJOURN** the meeting of the Recreation Committee. **SECONDED** by Ms. Adams. **VOTE: IN FAVOR:** All present. The motion passes 4-0.
- b. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm

Next meeting of the Recreation Committee: March 27, 7:30pm

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