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MEETING MINUTES OF April 1st 4th, 2021.

Attendance: John Corring, Michele Hausch, Greg Stalb, Delia Collis, , Debbie Szabo

Councilman: Anthony DeRosa

Recreation Director: Patty Hughes

Guests in attendance:

Rob Harris

Greg called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm

The approval of the minutes took place. They were approved by John and seconded by Michelle. All minutes have now been sent to Patty and Denise.

Patty is back after medical leave. The meeting starts off with a discussion of the Memorial Day parade. This year will be a smaller ceremony but potentially with a band and flowers It may be held at GW if it rains however this is still being looked into due to COVID. The poster and essay contest are back, Patty will reach out to the American Legion for the theme. Greg reached out to the HS teacher about having the event streamed as well.

For Easter Eileen helped set up a drive through Easter event for the town. Denise Kohan was the bunny and the event went very well.

GW gave the OK for camp to take place there this summer. COVID guidelines must be followed. John Noone is in the process of booking trips.

Stonybrook is open this summer and will be putting out their request for jobs shortly.

Patty inquiries about the beechwood roof. Anthony says he sent this along with a list of other items to the BA. He is trying to schedule a meeting with Greg, Patty, Statile, DPW and the BA to go over current questions and issues. Patty also asks about the grant she is told that it will be used on beechwood for various items. When asking for a grant the money requested is based on what worked is needed and what the borough can afford to match. Greg inquires if a wish list is needed for beechwood and how ideas get on this list. Anthony, suggest they talk about that offline on a personal meeting.

There is a new playground in Park Ridge, it is costing between 300-400 thousand dollars. In order to do any work on our playgrounds they must be updated to be ABA compliant which cost a lot of money.

Anthony states that there was a resident who emailed him asking to make sure that the sports association were current on their taxes/ The associations are currently working on this, due to the fact that COVID caused some problems. Anthony will respond to this resident and let them know.

John Corring says that softball for men 35+ will be scheduled around lady's softball, these games will take place a George White.

The committee speaks about pickle ball and what a popular sport it has become. Debbie has been working on bringing it to Hillsdale at PV. Some decisions need to be made like cost of the sport. Patty will come up with the fees and put it an ordinance. Patty will also look into camp pricing and see if it needs to be raised at all.

Patty is interested in doing more senior events however many of them are still hard to reach and/or afraid. Michelle said she is willing to offer a free class through one of her instructors to get the seniors out.

Rob Harris from baseball starts that travel baseball is starting next week and the regular season starts on 4/17-6/12. The COVID rules and hold harmless have been sent out.

Council Liaison

Anthony says the slit drain work can start in May and the fields will be scheduled around this. Will work on the soccer fields first.

John motions to close and Debbie 2nds

Closed 8:11

Respectfully submitted,
Meredith Anides

Next meeting, May 5thth.