

Leesport Borough–Recreation Board
October 3, 2024

The monthly meeting of the Leesport Borough Recreation Board was called to order at 7:04 pm on October 3, 2024 by Carl Moyer. Members present were Melissa Strause, Carl Moyer, Jess Martin and Steph Luckey.

Motion to approve the October agenda by Steph Luckey. Second by M. Strause. Motion Passed. 4-0.

Motion to approve the August/Sept minutes by Carl Moyer. Second by Jess Martin. Motion passed. 4-0.

**Amended Sept minutes. Under Treasurers's Report: Rec Board does not owe \$57,000 to borough. CM and SL. 4-0.

***Amended under Big purchases of the 2024 season: Removed: \$113,069.80. CM, JM. 4-0. Sept minutes approved as amended. By JM, second by SL. 4-0.

Guests/Correspondences: N/A

Jess Martin submitted the Treasurer's Report. The full report is on file. On a motion by Carl Moyer and second by S.Luckey, The treasurer's report was approved. Motion Passed. 4-0.

October Bills: On a motion by S. Luckey and second from C Moyer, The October bills were approved to be paid. Motion passed. 4-0.

Committee Report:

Personnel: Discussed starting the hiring process asap for the upcoming year. Will look to hire a manager/assistant manager prior to hiring of staff to include in the hiring process. Board felt Joe was focused on the pool and not the concession stand. Kirstin did not finish out her season(left before end of season.)

Pool/Pavilion:

The tables were placed back into pool area following community days.
Will have pool closing placed on Kay's schedule when they open the pool.
Filter needs to be fixed.

The pool has been shut down for two weeks..Pool is green.
Food still in the concession stand. The borough workers will be winterizing the concession stand following Harvest Moon. Will need to be cleaned out/donated.
? Drinks returned–? A-treat.

Jess/steph have collected outstanding monies from swim team members.

Affiliate Activities:

SV Baseball: Fall Ball

Little league concession stand building leaked causing damage to their AED unit. Roof has been tarped. Insurance not covering the damage due to integrity of the building. Would like Rec board to pay half of AED unit.

Electric bill will be sent for the last 6 months. They were questioning if they must pay bills for July/August since they don't use fields. ? base price.

SV Soccer : Has been utilizing the fields.

Buildings/Property

Ryan Strause has wood to rebuild the old pavilions . Roof needs to be redone.

Discussed if building a new one with kitchen/bathroom facilities.

Discussed "building and properties vs Rec Board" : Who is responsible? The Council has stated if the buildings are on Recreation Property, it is the Rec boards responsibility. Therefore, The Borough Manager has used \$72,000 of the Recreation tax monies. Rec tax only has \$18,000 left for 2024 year. Rec. board members were upset due to being told the monies were coming from the borough to pay for repairs. If the rec board would have known, monies may have been spent differently. The Rec board would like to have a say about how we spend our money.

Tax Monies spent on: 2 basketball courts, lights at pool, new fence at pool, tree trimming, new basketball nets/backboards, 2 benches, pool pavilion roof, water heater for hot showers at pool.

We discussed not allowing the historical society shed to be placed at playground due to liability.

Carl will call to have porta potties picked up following Halloween.

Discussed getting cement for starting blocks and replacing porous sidewalk as well as adding drainage.

Playground/Main

Rough workers will be winterizing bath house/playground bathrooms following Harvest moon.

Look to purchase pool furniture and umbrellas if needed over the off season.

Keys from pool staff need to be returned. Sandy contacted Lawrana.

Fundraising/outreach

Hometown Hero applications..have 5 banners, need 10 prior to order. Will place on hold.

We received a \$10,000 donation from the Softball tournament for the stage roof by Carol Weyant.

Brick Project: "Bricks R Us". Will sell bricks for \$75 for 4x8 and \$150 for 8X8. Logo brick/picture an additional \$55 and a stock image \$5.00.

Carl will have a thermometer placed at the clock to show progress. We will also look to have a banner with a picture of bricks. Will send a mailer to all businesses to help sell bricks, hand out at local events, send an email to people from the book that signed up at community days. Currently, 44 bricks are sold. Carl is getting a list of businesses to see if interested.

OLD Business:

Awaiting information by Chris Heing to order a baby pool pump.

Monthly Events/Activities

Look at a movie in the park for next summer.

Look at having a concert in the park. Jermey's band and sundaes in the park.

Harvest Moon is Nov. 2nd.

Halloween will be Thursday, Oct 31st.

Leesport Market having a trunk or treat on the 20th.

Light up Leesport: Will start Saturday after Thanksgiving(11/30), End Dec 14th. The Voting will take place on the 15th-18th by Rec Board members and sponsors. Order signs by Kelcy Adams. Deliver signs by 12/21.

Tree Lighting: Saturday, Dec 7th from 5-8 pm. Held at the Leesport Fire company. Will be contacting organizations, school for band/chorus, businesses.

Good of the Order

2023 meeting Dates

Council Ad Hoc- Oct 9th

Council Meeting-Oct 16th

Rec Board mtg- Nov 6th.

Harvest Moon: Nov 2nd 5-8pm

Tree Lighting: Dec 7th 5-8pm

Adjourned: 8:21pm. Motion by Missy, second by steph. Approved 4-0.