

Bernards Township Pool Commission Minutes
April 26, 2021 – 7:00 PM
Municipal Building, 1 Collyer Lane, Basking Ridge, NJ
Approved, June 28, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER – John Salaki, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ROLL CALL

Members Present: James Baldassare, Jr., Agnes Doucette, Widette Fox, John Salaki, Jr., Deborah Smith, Craig Wilson

Members Absent: Michael Luzzi

Non-members Present:
Jennifer Gander, Director
Sean O’Grady, Assistant Director
Kelly Kellaway, Pool Secretary

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Motion to approve the March 1, 2021 Pool Commission Meeting Minutes was made by C. Wilson and seconded by A. Doucette. All in favor; motion passed.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

A. From the Township CFO—American Rescue Plan Funding—The Township CFO provided what information is currently known regarding the American Rescue Plan funding.

6. REPORTS

A. Membership Update—J. Gander reported that membership numbers are nearing where we ended the season in 2020.

B. COVID Guidelines and Facility Operation— J. Gander reported that as of May 10 the outdoor gathering limit, and subsequently the capacity of the pool, would be increased to 500 people. The NJ DOH has not yet released updated COVID operations guidelines for 2021.

C. OFF Season Maintenance Projects —J. Gander reported that the old soft surfacing has been scraped up around the Water Play Area and the Baby Pool area. Vendor is coming to the pool to train staff how to install new soft surfacing. The pool will be filled on May 8 by the Liberty Corner Fire Company.

D. Staffing Update—S. O’Grady reported that we are doing well with applications and currently have 39 returning lifeguards and 30 new hires. He stated that he has concluded interviewing and new offers will go out this week. We are still seeking applications for an Assistant Pool Manager and Lifeguard Supervisors.

E. Swim Team and Swim Lessons—Swim Team will be offered this season, potentially with a limited number of swimmers. A. Doucette reported that per the League, the Meet of Champions will be all virtual and only our swimmers would be at PVP. All other meets may be virtual as well. S. O’Grady spoke to our swim lesson vendor and they are interested for the upcoming season.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT—None.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Greater Somerset County Swim Team (YMCA) Request to Use PVP—The Pool Commission reviewed the YMCA request. W. Fox made a motion to approve the YMCA usage of the pool for training as requested, with permission to hold one home meet, for a fee of \$4,500 with an additional fee if lifeguards are provided, second by A. Doucette. All were in favor, motion passed.
- B. Membership Payment Deadlines—Current early payment deadline of April 30 was discussed and no action was taken.
- C. Guest Policy—C. Wilson made a motion to approve guests on weekdays only, not on weekends or holidays, and motion was second by A. Doucette. All were in favor, motion passed.

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Future Revenues and Operating Expenses—The Pool Commission discussed, and no action was taken.

10. COMMITTEE AND STAFF COMMENTS

- A. C. Wilson thanked staff.
- B. J. Baldassare, Jr. thanked everyone.

11. MOTION TO ADJOURN—Motion to adjourn made by C. Wilson, seconded by A. Doucette. All in favor, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Kellaway
Recording Secretary