

Borough of Wildwood Crest Recreation Commission

Thursday, February 15, 2024

Crest Pier Recreation Center

Meeting called to order by Brian Cunniff at 5:10 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Reading of the Sunshine Ordinance – In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231 P.L. 231 175, the notice requirements have been classified as to the time, place and date of holding said meeting by posting notice of the same on the bulletin board in borough hall and by mailing the same to the Gazette Leader and the Herald.

Roll Call:	Don Cabrera, Mayor/Commissioner	not present
	Toni Fuscellaro	present
	Bryan Vasti	present
	Salvatore Volpe	not present
	Frank Basile, Recreation Supervisor	present
	Brian Cunniff, Asst. Rec Supervisor	present

A quorum is present.

Toni Fuscellaro made motion to accept the minutes of the November 2023 Recreation Commission meeting as presented. Bryan Vasti seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

Frank Basile stated that the recreation department was to hold three dances during the month of February. However, the 2/17 dance has been canceled due to low attendances at the last two dances. Island Tournament dance will still be held 2/24. Most likely no more dances for the remainder of the winter after that.

Frank Basile reported that the inaugural Wellness Awards Luncheon was held Saturday 2/3 at the Crest Arts Pavilion. Event honored locals and friends of the Crest who help promote wellness in the community. Event coordinated by staff member Laura Farrall. A lot of people recognized. Will probably become a yearly event.

Frank Basile stated that the grammar school basketball Island Tournament and Skills Competition is set to be held next week at Crest Pier – Tuesday 2/20 through Sunday 2/25. Always a big event for the community.

Frank Basile reported that the South Shore Basketball League championships will be held at the Crest Pier on Saturday 3/9. Six games scheduled. Will be free admission. Kitchen will be open. Good to showcase Crest Pier.

Frank Basile reported that crowds in the building on the weekends have begun to pick up. Lots of second homeowners taking advantage of using the facility on weekends. Many second homeowners signing up for and using the fitness room.

Frank Basile stated that the busy rental season is quickly approaching. Special Olympics basketball will be in building March 23-24. Several condo association meetings either already scheduled or will be scheduled. Cape May Tech after prom to be held in May.

Registration recently opened for grades K-2 indoor soccer program. Games will begin in early March and will finish right before Easter break. We can take up to 48 children in the league. Pizza party at the end.

Frank Basile stated that info for the Firefighters Craft Show and Seafarers Celebration in September has gone out to vendors. Registered vendors from last year's Seafarers Celebration will get a \$50 discount for this year due to the 2023 event being canceled due to rain.

Frank Basile announced that summer basketball league registration will open 2/23. Registration forms will be given to all players participating in the Island Tournament. Trying our best to make sure the locals get in the info as early as possible. Last year, two of the three leagues filled very quickly.

Frank Basile stated that the Pier Playmates Day Camp call-in date for new campers will be Friday 5/3 beginning at 5 p.m. Will not be taking new registration for grades 3-4 since enrollment is already high for those grades. Priority registration info will be sent to previous campers by 3/1.

Brian Cunniff announced that the outdoor/landscaping work at the Crest Arts Pavilion is moving along swiftly. Building is open as normal. Planning for more events for this summer. Frank Basile added that a featured artist has been booked for the solarium for each of the next eight months.

Brian Cunniff reported that Dorothy Kulisek of the Sun magazine will be holding a Historical Exhibit at the Crest Arts Pavilion on Sunday 3/9 from 2 to 4 p.m. Free event. Dorothy hosting as part of the magazine's 20th anniversary. Lots of good info on historical events in Crest expected. Display boards will remain in building for much of the spring.

Bryan Vasti asked if Beach Brew is returning the Crest Arts Pavilion for 2024. Frank Basile stated yes.

Frank Basile stated that the summer outdoor fitness schedule is nearly complete. Looking to possibly move Pilates/yogalates classes to Crest Arts Pavilion lawn instead of Centennial Park.

Brian Cunniff stated that the new running festival hosted by JLD Events is set for Saturday 10/5. Will include 10-mile and 5K races.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.