

**RARITAN RECREATION COMMITTEES
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
22 FIRST STREET
RARITAN, NJ 08869**

**Raritan Recreation Events Committee
January 14, 2025 Minutes**

Present: Janet DeAugustine, Joan Hutzler, Alex Windrem, Joyce Melitsky, Jeff King, John Colonnello

Absent: Lauren Christie

Others: Andrew Sibilialia, Ken DiGraziano, Don Tozzi, Mike Patente, Nick Carra

The meeting was called to order at 6:32pm by Mr. Sibilialia.

Mr. King made a motion to approve the December 2024 minutes; 2nd by Mrs. Hutzler; everyone approved the motion.

Report from Recreation Director (Andrew Sibilialia)

1. The Recreation budget will be presented to the Council soon.
2. A Review of 2024 for Recreation was given which included the following: Participation was good; the Trunk or Treat was very successful (many businesses donated prizes for the event), a new basketball court at Frelinghuysen Park was used regularly; Soccer held in the Summer had 80 for the first session and 54 for the second session.
3. Orange flags have been placed at some crosswalks on Somerset Street for pedestrian use.
4. A craft program will be held at the Municipal Building by Mrs. Sibilialia (Andy's wife) on Saturdays and Sundays; this is advertised on Facebook and Instagram.
5. Mulch will be replaced at some parks.
6. Summer Camp registrations will be \$175 by June 1st and \$200 after that date.
7. Background checks which include fingerprinting needs to be done for coaches, etc. so they become certified to work with children.
8. Flag Football will be held in the Fall on Sunday's.

New Business

1. A Splash Park should be available this year.
2. Pickle Ball at Frelinghuysen Park should be available in the spring or summer, weather permitting.
3. A grant may take place which will include having the basketball courts done over and track improvements at the JFK site.
4. We may use the First Avenue tennis courts (County property) for Pickle Ball or Street Hockey or something else.
5. Mr. DiGraziano was able to get some coaches for T-ball so there will be a team.
6. Dodgeball may take place in March or April or May at JFK School.
7. We may have a Community Day in May.
8. Recreation will now be called the Recreation Advisory Committee.
9. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held April 12 (rain date April 19) at Frelinghuysen Park.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Rosemary Shickora, Secretary