

**OAKLAND RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING FOR JANUARY
Monday, April 26, 2021**

The regular monthly meeting of the Oakland Recreation Commission was called to order at 8:10 PM by Chairman Guadagnino, via remote Zoom Meeting (84470316102) under the public sunshine laws. Commissioners Guadagnino, Saliani, Bleeker, Scalabrini, Coira, LaTerra, were present. Commissioners Logatto, Hagerman and Walker were absent.

A motion to excuse Commissioners Logatto, Hagerman and Walker was made by Commissioner Saliani and seconded by Commissioner Scalabrini. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair's Report: We have seen some increased vandalism at the complex. There has been spray painting on sides of buildings, buildings broken into and hateful statements sprayed on trees. We are putting a camera system by the D'Elia Building and one by DPW. We will pay for the camera by the D'Elia building and DPW will pay for a camera by Jimmy's building. Dog Park will open on May 8th. We have switched from county to CDC rules with quarantine.

Prior to opening to public session, Chairman Guadagnino reviewed procedures to speak during open sessions via zoom.

Open Session- As there were no public in attendance at the time of the public session, no public session was held.

Approval of previous months minutes- A motion to approve the March 2021 regular meeting minutes was made by Commissioner Saliani and seconded by Commissioner LaTerra. The motion passed unanimously. A motion to pass the executive session meeting minutes from March 2021 was made by Commissioner Saliani and seconded by Commissioner LaTerra. The motion passed unanimously. A motion to approve the minutes from the Hurley Appeal was made by Commissioner LaTerra second by Commissioner Scalabrini. The motion passed unanimously.

The following reports were made and unanimously accepted.

BASEBALL – Comm. Saliani – Currently in the middle of the season for Rec. There were uniform issues in beginning and have since been resolved. Three games into every season except t-ball with no games. Spring travel started. There are only 4 kids of the 15 kids wanted to be umpires this year at the 3rd grade level.

BASKETBALL – Comm. LaTerra – Most of season happened. There were 3 games left for 7/8 boys Rec. We were notified today that we could no longer use the Valley Gym to finish the season. Could possibly use outdoor courts or look to using Hills. We have the trophies and have

to figure out distribution. Due to quarantines and spring break, it became an issue with schedule. Looking at one or two days for 3 or 4 hours to hold the last tournament. Overall a good season and we got through all the issues.

FOOTBALL – Comm. Hagerman – No report.

GOLF – Comm. Bleeker – 15 golfers registered for this year, which is highest we've had in a long time. Also following up on getting a mural painted.

ROLLER HOCKEY – Comm. Bleeker – Looking to clean out the storage area. There is currently a table in the middle of the shed with a big pile of equipment. Would like to look into shelving to organize. Chair Guadagnino said talk to Jimmy about getting some shelves. Commissioner Bleeker will talk to Grant about setting up a time for the team to attend the council meeting. Will talk to Jimmy about getting the parts needed to fix score board and protect from lacrosse balls.

SOCCER – Comm. Saliani – Slow registration started but they are underway.

SOFTBALL – Comm. Logatto – We had a record number of sign-ups this year. Absolutely attributed to the quality of coaches in the program that the girls know not only from softball but all the other sports

Rec - season has started. Practices are over and games are starting up. The season will go to the 2nd week of June.

Travel - 2 - 12U teams were formed as was the 14U team. Our 3rd / 4th grade team has tryouts tomorrow night.

Dates coming up:

Saturday May 1st is Coach Leicht's Clinic.

Saturday May 8th is Picture Day

Last but not least the uniform vendor was a disaster. Rosa is doing a good job getting it figured out. This vendor will be written up and the report will be sent to Rosa and Rich and Andy Wingfield.

SPECIAL NEEDS – Comm. Scalabrini – No Report

TENNIS – Comm. Scalabrini – Rec season started tonight. Over 50 kids registered. Team tennis begins May 17 and will be playing Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday with Monday as a rain out. Pickleball program is running Tuesday and Wednesday nights. High participation. We have had tennis people upset with pickleball, however we found out that they were not members.

WRESTLING – Comm. Logatto – No Report.

CHEERLEADING –Comm. LaTerra – Registration is open. Looks like there is a lot of interest for k and 1st.

LACROSSE – Comm. Coira – Pre k -3rd program is half way done. No issues so far. 53 registered. Very boy heavy. At high school level, they got snowed out in February so they are hoping to make up a few games on our fields in May or June. The high school coaches have been great and the high school level players have come to assist.

SUMMER CAMP – Chair Guadagnino- We need a nurse. We are posting for the position. Camp is running June 25-Aug 6. People have not yet paid and still have options to pay and if they don't pay they won't be able to participate. For open camp will not have trips because we can't bus due to social distancing guidelines. We are planning alternative activities and doing walkable trips such as bowling and pizza.

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS - Chair Guadagnino- June 5th will not have a parade this year. Going to have psorts association hall of fame. Bill Savage, Dave Altana and Howie Levine will be inducted. We will honor Gary Walker.

SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAMS –Comm. Laterra – We are adding another week to sports camp following the day camp season ending. Have cheer camp running right now. We left registration open for the current sports camps because people are registering late.

MOUNTAIN BIKE – Comm. Hagerman – No report.

VOLLEYBALL –Comm. Coira – Registration is open and currently light. Still four weeks until the start of the season so hoping it picks up.

CAPITAL PROJECTS –

Field Day / Sod project – Commissioners Saliani, gave Rich some of what is needed and following up to get the remainder of info.

Tennis Court- Mike Carelli is taking over the grant for this. Putting in a request for 30k.

Great Oak Park Basketball Courts- Going on Wednesday 6:30 to meet with Domingo and Mike to discuss the location of the courts.

The colony would like to put in some courts and Mike is looking into whether it is possible and then will look into purchasing the necessary items to make it happen.

COMMITTEE REPORT – No report

COMMUNICATIONS TO COMMISSION – No report

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – **Commissioner Saliani**- planning to have an 11 year old tournament second weekend in June and space it out to make it COVID friendly. Will put together proper documentation for the other towns.

LIAISON REPORT- Councilman Van Eck- No Report.

OPEN SESSION- As there were no public in attendance at the time of the public session, no public session was held.

Adjournment – Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Saliani and seconded by Commissioner La Terra. The motion passed unanimously.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE RECREATION COMMISSION WILL BE HELD via Zoom on May 24th AT 8:00PM.