

## **NEW FREEDOM RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING**

**April 6, 2023**

### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

M. Michels - President (Remotely)  
R. Garvey - Secretary  
S. Boyle - Treasurer  
K. Butcher - Mayor  
E. Rearich - Councilwoman

**CALL TO ORDER:** R. Garvey at 7:00 PM.

**APPROVE MINUTES:** Do to that lack of a quorum, the minutes could not be voted on.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Our balance as of March 31, 2023 was \$19,417.20

**PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT:** Shrewsbury Township has agreed to the three seated positions on both Boards, plus the liaison for each.

**FARMER'S MARKET:** No Farmer's Market this season. Tabled until Fall of 2023.

**TENNIS:** The New Freedom Summer Youth Tennis program will begin the first Tuesday after the end of the school year, approximately May 30th. The program will run for six weeks, on Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM and 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM, and on Friday evening from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

Adult Tennis will start mid to late May and will run every weeks until it gets too cold to play. M. Michels noted there appears to be multiple cracks in the surface of the courts in Marge Goodfellow Park. Will follow up.

**PICKLEBALL:** The program continues to be a success and keeps growing. There were 38 participants in March, netting \$560 (\$760 less the Borough fee). We were also able to sell three of our old nets for \$75 each, netting \$225 for Rec.

A conversation was held about the cleaning of the floor in the Community Center. Frequently, after the Center is rented, the floors are not cleaned, resulting in slippery conditions. These conditions have caused falls and injuries. R. Garvey will speak to the Borough Council at their next meeting.

**PARADE:** The theme for this year's Parade will be to honor First Responder's. We discussed contacting the Baltimore City Fire Department, who lost four firefighters last year to see if they

have an interest in participating. E, Rearich knows the Department's Chief and will reach out to him.

**CONCERTS IN THE PARK 2023:** There will be two concerts in the park this year. We have picked August 19, 2023 for the Sesquicentennial concert and September 23, 2023 for a Karaoke concert. The dates have been reserved with the Borough and contracts have been received from the band, First Class, for both events. R. Garvey has contacted Seven Sports Bar and they again will secure the necessary licenses and provide adult beverages. Food Trucks are needed.

We have also contracted the band, Mutual Fun, for our concert on August 24, 2024.

**PARKS:** It was noted how busy Marge Goodfellow Park was this past week due to spring break and the beautiful weather. K. Butcher noted an incident in the park which requires follow up.

**CHILDREN AND TEENS:** No report.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Due to the lack of a quorum, R. Garvey continued the meeting till a later date when it can be officially adjourned.