

**Branford Board of Recreation
Joe Trapasso Community Center
Meeting Minutes
April 10, 2024**

Board Members:

- √- Paul Criscuolo, Chairman
- Helen “Bimmie” Herget, Clerk~ Excused
- √- Deborah Conklin
- √- Jeanne Crowley
- √- William O’Brien

Staff:

- √- Alex Palluzzi, Jr. Director
- Dale Izzo, Assistant Director

Guest:

none

I. **Call to order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:23 pm by Chairman, Paul Criscuolo. A motion was made to approve the March meeting minutes from 3-13-2024.

1st: Deb Conklin 2nd: William O’Brien Motion passed 4-0

II. **Correspondences:** None

III. **Public Comments:** none

IV. **Directors Report:**

Community House: Continuing to have problems with the AC and they are being address with GGB. The patio resurfacing has been complete and seems to be holding up.

Parks, Grounds and Facilities: Field preparations are ongoing for little league and softball play and opening day at Foote Park, Sliney Field and Sampson. Chuck Sherwood has begun work on at Hammer 50/70 baseball field. Pickleball and Tennis courts open this month at Foote and Veteran’s. The bid for the Clay Courts at Foote Park as awarded to the Tennis Boys and work will begin this month. The post tension basketball court at Foote Park will begin this month.

Other: We are fully staffed in the office with both Administrative Assistants. Nick Polastri, Lead Maintainer and Maintainers are going a great job with field prep and getting the outside facilities ready for spring and summer programming.

V. Assistant Directors Report:

Dale was not present. Alex reported that Summer Camp programs are almost full to capacity with limited spaces available. It has been help to families having a tiered payment plan.

Theatre: Something Rotten auditions will begin this month.

Special Events: The Annual Easter Egg Hunt was postponed one week due to rain and it was very successful. There was over 800 who participated. Thank you to the American Legion Members who help to facilitate this event and the Branford Lion's Club for their monetary donation to fill eggs with money.

Upcoming Special Events: Music on the Green will be starting in May with concerts on Fridays, TGIF

Pool: The pool is open. Hospice is opening at the end of June, Memberships are on sale for Branford residents.

VI. Old Business:

Facility & Field Policy: The Board of Recreation made a change to the policy from "Team to organization" and will continue to update the policy to be in line with the BOE. A motion was made to make the change.

1st: William O'Brien **2nd:** Deb Conklin motion passed 4-0

AED Committee Update: AED's continue to go into the parks around town.

Budget FY2025: The Board of Finance had no changes to our presented budget and capital requests. Next step is attending the Ways and Means Committee Meeting

VII. New Business: None

Next Meeting: May 8, 2024

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn at 8:00 pm

1st Bill O'Brien **2nd:** Deb Conklin passed 4-0

Submitted by: Alex Palluzzi, Jr.