

Harrington Park Recreation Commission Meeting

November 11, 2020, 8:00 pm Minutes

Pursuant to Governor Murphy’s Executive Orders #107 and 108 ordering Statewide lockdowns, and P.L. 2020, c. 34 permitting public bodies to conduct meetings via electronic means during declared states of emergency, the meeting of the Borough of Harrington Park Environmental Commission scheduled for November 11 **at 8:00 p.m.** will be conducted remotely from the electronic meeting platform Zoom.us. Members of the public can join the meeting and participate during public comment period by joining the meeting using the Zoom mobile application on a smartphone or tablet, joining the meeting by laptop with microphone capabilities, or dialing in using a telephone to the Zoom teleconference system. Information on how to join the meeting electronically appears below. Members of the public may submit written comments in advance of a meeting, which will be read during the relevant public portion of the meeting. Written comments shall contain the person’s name and address and may be submitted via email to the Borough Clerk (clerk@harringtonparknj.gov) or by mail addressed to: Clerk, Borough Hall, 85 Harriot Ave., Harrington Park, NJ. Emailed comments must be received at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. Mailed comments must be received by 4:00 p.m. the day before the meeting. If any meeting includes a public hearing, all material that will be considered by the Borough Council at the public hearing shall be posted on or linked to the homepage of the Borough’s website in a conspicuous location or as otherwise required by law. Written comments, as set forth above, will be accepted for such public hearings. If sworn testimony is to be taken during the public hearing, it shall be broadcast by both video and audio. Written public comments will not be considered where sworn testimony is required. Topic: Recreation Commission of Harrington Park
 Date and Time: 8:00 p.m. EST Link to Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6936944746?Pwd=Nm1BQWFsNjFpT1JmVkk3WkQzMydz09> Meeting ID.#: 693 694 4746 Access Code: 08052020 **Join Zoom Meeting by Desktop Computer or Laptop:** Click on, or copy and paste the link to the browser search <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6936944746?Pwd=Nm1BQWFsNjFpT1JmVkk3WkQzMydz09> You will be prompted to enter the Meeting ID. #693 694 4746 followed by the access code 08052020 **Join Zoom Meeting by Smartphone or Tablet:** Download the free Zoom mobile application in your smartphone/tablet App-Store. Once downloaded, open the Zoom app. You will be prompted to enter the Meeting ID. #693 694 4746, followed by the Access Code to participate 08052020 **Join Zoom Meeting by Calling in with Telephone:** Dial + 646 558 8656 US (New York) You will be prompted to enter the Meeting ID 693 694 4746 # followed by the Access Code to participate 08052020 Please be aware that the audio connections for all members of the public will be muted for the duration of the meeting, except for those periods when public comments are received. Members of the public may use the “raise your hand” feature on Zoom during the meeting, to request to participate in public comment portions. Any member of the public will be unmuted for the purpose of making public comment. Members of the public are advised that the video and audio of the meeting will be recorded and will be a public record subject to disclosure pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act. The Borough reserves the right to post the recording of the meeting to its website. Formal Action may or may not be taken.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairman’s Announcement In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of the scheduled meeting was made. It is posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Center. Copies have been mailed to the BERGEN RECORD, SUBURBANITE, and THE NORTHERN VALLEY PRESS. A copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk, and copies have been mailed to individuals requesting the same.

2. ROLL CALL

COMMISSION Members	PRESENT	ABSENT
(CD) Charles DeGruccio (chairman)	x	
(KK) Patrick (Kelly) Kramer (vice-chair)	x	
(LC) Lynne Cappelmann	x	
(TD) Thomas Donnelly		x
(RH) Robert Hwang	x	
(AP) Ashely Plescia	x	
(MS) Matthew Saland		x
(JC) Councilwoman Chung	x	
(LT) Lara Toomin, Recreation Director	x	

- MINUTES Approval of Minutes (October 14, 2020)** LC moved to accept, second AP. All in favor. Carried. ***Upon review, I see that Ashley was not at the October meeting and thus is not eligible to vote on the minutes. We will need to amend this at the December meeting. And then vote on the amended minutes.

4. UPDATES (MAY OR MAY NOT APPLY)

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- a. **Field Requests/School Coordination/Sports Coordination/nothing**
- b. **Town Programs** Ragamuffin – Saturday, October 31, 2020 canceled due to field conditions. AP reported that Allegro was wonderful and that supplies are all ready for next year. The committee will publicly thank Allegro at the event next year.
- c. **Park & Playground Maintenance** JC asked whether LT, CD, and KK could join her to meet with the engineers to discuss plans for the hut. (possibly Monday) There is a 100% coverage grant available. It is a community development grant, which covers ADA compliance, etc. An update will be reported at the next Rec Commission meeting.

5. OTHER ITEMS, IF APPLICABLE

Tennis: JC asked for direction. The grant deadline is in the spring. The project is managed by the engineer. KK questioned whether the sub structure rebuild is necessary (as the Borough Engineer recommended) if we are doing tiling. JC stated that the Borough Engineer is addressing the proper drainage in the area to prevent any future problems. However, we won't know the extent of the needed intervention until we open up the area. The Borough Engineer included the maximum intervention in the estimate in order for the Open Space grant committee to consider. Once the construction commences, if not all area needs to be opened, that amount will be deducted. She has confirmed with CFO that sufficient funds are available if we receive the grant. JC will invite the Borough Engineer to the December meeting.

AP stated that the Borough Engineer's estimate was high and there were many other projects to consider in town.

Fieldhouse: AP wondered how a different roof ended up on the fieldhouse. Discussion of process of bidding.

JC asked when we should have the hut bathrooms locked and lights turned off. Discussion. KK will contact Steve Nappi to discuss Pondsides and Highland lights.

For 2021, we will follow format of assigning specific parks, etc., to each commissioner and review each meeting.

NB: The feed from the street at Highland has valve issues and will need to be addressed next year.

RH moved to open the meeting to the public, second AP. All in favor. Carried. No public wished to be heard. KK moved to close the meeting to the public, second RH. All in favor. Carried.

6. **ADJOURN** CD moved to adjourn, second KK. All in favor. meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm. Next Meeting. Next regularly scheduled meeting is December 9, 2020 at 8:00 pm

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via Zoom. Agenda items: Meeting dates; engineering presentation for hut (Grant); visit from engineer re tennis courts.