## BAYSHORE GARDENS RECREATIONAL DISTRICT RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 2, 2021

Meeting commenced at 7:00 PM

- 1. Attended by Lorna Pierce Trustee, Rose Woodruff and Jeanette Sparrow
- 2. Discussion of Past & Present Activities:

## Past activities that were Discontinued:

Friday Night Adult Dances, Fourth of July celebration, monthly picnics, fishing tournaments, and adult card game nights, football tailgate parties and several other activities were discussed.

Rose provided some background about the past activities that were once held at the hall and the park. COVID 19 may prevent some of these activities from being immediately reinstituted, but all of the above were thought to be good ideas for future planning and financial backing. These activities could be revived with financial backing by the Board and community interest/involvement.

## Swim Team and Status of same.

Registration begins February 22nd with a cutoff date of March 12th. The current cost per child of residents is approximately \$100 and has been paid for out of the recreation budget in the past. Non-residents pay a non-refundable fee of \$150 per child. The current recreation budget stands at \$1,000. The past budget for the swim team alone was \$3,000 but when COVID appeared, this money was no longer available.

The first swim meet is May 22nd and is "Fun Meet" at Bradenton Country Club (an away Meet). Team swim gear and goggles for any participating child will need to be ordered prior to this date. In order to raise money for the team, since the current budget is insufficient, it was suggested that a "Fun Day in the Park" could be held to offset the costs for the kids suits, goggles and any prizes. Several foodtruck vendors have indicated their interest in participating in the fundraiser and would donate part of their proceeds towards the team. Additionally, residents could sell crafts and provide them a table for the same at a \$10 rental fee per table. There could be some kid activities that could be spread out and would need minimal equipment in order to set up.

There is a potential to approach some businesses in the area to support the team.

The second swim meet is set for June 5th and will be at Bayshore Gardens.

- 3. Future Projects In addition to some of the past activities being revived, we discussed potentially setting up kickball games (both for kids and adults), a volleyball area with organized games once a month, kids soccer or T-ball for smaller kids, attraction of local exercise instructors for demonstrations or clinics, softball practice or intramural softball games.
- 4. Current Recreation Budget is \$1,000. This will need to be increased if ANY of the above is to happen.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Submitted by James M. Riore