

RECREATION COMMITTEE

NOVEMBER 14, 2012

THE MINUTES HAVE NOT BEEN FORMALLY APPROVED AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE OR MODIFICATION AT THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

FLAG SALUTE: led by Chairwoman Susan Rude at 7:10 PM.

ROLL CALL: RECREATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS – Present:

Chairwoman Susan Rude, Eileen Junior, David West, Dan Coranoto, Vice Chairman Jim Cutler, Kirk Kandel, Jeff Calvani

Absent: Gene Cotelli, Oscar Fernandez

Also Present: Valerie Galizia- Recreation Committee Secretary, David Chanard- Kittatinny Youth Lacrosse, Leon Pollison- Kittatinny Midget Football, Liza Kelly- Soccer, Michael Biron Jr.- Field of Dreams Foundation

STATEMENT: Chairwoman S. Rude stated the meeting is being held in compliance with the provisions of P.L. 1975, Ch. 231, 4 & 13 of the Sunshine Law and that adequate notice of said meeting has been published in the New Jersey Herald being the Daily & Sunday editions as to time, place, and date, and is posted in the usual locations of posted notices in the municipal building.

MINUTES: October 24, 2012

A **MOTION** was made by E. Junior and seconded by K. Kandel, with all members in favor, to approve the October 24, 2012 minutes.

PRIORITY DISCUSSION LIST

- 1. Money Collected from Field of Dreams Car Show presented to Mike Biron:** Chairwoman S. Rude presented Michael Biron Jr. with the money collected from the Field of Dreams Car Show. It was the Recreation Committee's first annual car show to honor Mike Biron. Mr. Biron was a Committeeman, a Recreation member, and a huge asset to the town who died suddenly in 2008 in a tragic accident. The car show will help to support the Mike Biron Field of Dreams Lighting project. The event was a great success and raised \$2,009.00 this year with 52 vehicles in attendance. The Recreation Committee is looking forward to making the car show an annual event and hopes that it will continue to grow with time.

Michael Biron Jr. stated this is the first time anyone has raised money, besides the golf outing, for the field of dreams project. He stated when the idea was presented to him that the Recreation Committee wanted to help raise money that it meant a lot to the family as well as the Field of Dreams Committee. Everyone wants the lighting to be done yesterday but it takes time

to raise that kind of money so the Recreation Committee wanting to help out is great. The golf outing has been held for four years raising money as well.

The power structure has been approved through the Planning Board and now the town is trying to work something out with JCP&L. JCP&L has given a substantial estimate to run power lines from Halsey Road to the Hampton Recreational Park. M. Biron Jr stated he's hoping JCP&L will be able to negotiate the cost down because at this point half the project cost will be to run the power lines to the park. While the pricing is being negotiated, the housing structure can be constructed. He thanked the Recreation Committee again for their contribution.

Chairwoman S. Rude thanked the sports teams again for their help at the car show working in the food booth, helping everything to run smoothly throughout the day and the turn out to be such a success.

2. **Approval of the 2013 Budget:** Chairwoman S. Rude stated the 2013 Recreational budget was approved at the Township Committee meeting on November 13th. The 2013 budget is staying the same as the 2012 budget was.
3. **Tree Lighting Friday, December 7th at 7:00 PM:** Chairwoman S. Rude stated the Hampton Township Tree Lighting and holiday party will be on Friday, December 7th at 7:00 PM. There will be a performance by the Synergy Dance Company, carols led by the Hampton Girl Scout Troop, Santa Claus brought in by the Hampton Township Volunteer Fire Department, and that refreshments will be served in the Senior Center following the tree lighting ceremony.

Chairwoman S. Rude stated the only thing left to be done for the tree lighting is figuring out the food that needs to be purchased for the party. The Chamber of Commerce is providing the cookies but can no longer supply the hot chocolate because Starbucks is not donating it any longer. Recreation will need to purchase the coffee and hot chocolate.

CORRESPONDENCE

No Correspondence.

OPEN DISUSSION

J. Calvani asked if there was an update on the defibrillator for the Recreation Park pavilion. Chairwoman S. Rude replied that the defibrillator was approved at the Township Committee meeting on November 13th, and that one defibrillator will be ordered for the pavilion. The placement of the defibrillator will be discussed at a later time. Ideas at this time are in the kitchen of the pavilion or in one of the rest rooms where it will be locked while no one is at the park to keep it from being vandalized. The defibrillator will be purchased through Newton Medical Center. Coaches will be trained on how to use it once it has arrived and been set up.

D. West asked about the left over money the Recreation Committee has from 2012's budget, if Recreation can save the money that wasn't used this year to be put towards re-paving the basketball court next year so the money doesn't just go back into escrow. Chairwoman S.

Rude replied that we cannot do that this year, that the money from our current budget will go back into escrow. However, as an example, for 2013 the Recreation Committee can decide that they want to put \$10,000.00 into capital reserve under the title of the basketball court or the walking path, then the Recreation budget would be \$20,000.00 for 2013. Therefore Recreation would still be receiving \$30,000.00 from the Township total, but \$10,000.00 is put into the capital reserve where it will be able to be carried over to the next year instead of going back into escrow at the end of the year.

L. Pollison asked if the Recreation Committee would be able to donate the money to the Field of Dreams Foundation so at least the money will go towards something this year instead of just going back to escrow. D. Coranoto responded the Recreation Committee is not able to make donations. L. Pollison asked if the money can purchase something specific like materials for the housing unit such as a door, the lights inside the building, light switches, etc before the end of the year. Chairwoman S. Rude stated she can check with CFO J. Caruso to see if Recreation is able to do that.

D. Coranoto asked if the Recreation Committee made a motion at the last meeting to purchase two or three 50 cup coffee pots for recreational functions. Chairwoman S. Rude replied yes and that there was already a motion made to purchase the coffee pots. The coffee pots need to be purchased before the tree lighting.

D. Coranoto asked what time the members should meet to set up before the tree lighting. Chairwoman S. Rude replied 5:30 PM should be enough time to set up inside the Senior Center as well as get the P.A. system hooked up outside.

D. Coranoto asked what would be given to the children this year. Secretary V. Galizia responded there were left over goody bags from the last two years to be given out; she just needed to purchase a few more items to even out the bags. Chairwoman S. Rude stated she will be getting the candy for the goody bags and the candy canes. D. Coranoto asked which would be better to give out to the children, candy canes or chocolate covered Santa's and snowmen. The census was chocolate Santa's and snowmen.

A MOTION was made by Vice Chairman J. Cutler and seconded by D. Coranoto, with all members in favor, to purchase chocolate Santa's and snowmen instead of candy canes this year.

J. Calvani asked if they Recreation Committee should have food handler's licenses to do the events such as the car show. Chairwoman S. Rude replied D. Coranoto has his food safety certification which we had used for the car show. J. Calvani asked if that's something the Recreation members should take in the future. D. Coranoto stated he will be setting up a date sometime the end of February 2013 or beginning of March at the Town Hall and anyone that would like to attend the class to get their certification can sign up. The food safety certificate is good for three years. He stated he's not sure what the cost will be this time, last year it was \$5.00 a person and was from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm. Your certification is then mailed to you.

PUBLIC SESSION

L. Pollison stated he wanted to thank the Recreation Committee for allowing the Kittatinny Midget Football to practice for a month on the park's fields. He said it's very helpful since they don't have many places they can practice in the fall. He stated to let KMFB know if Recreation needs anything, help maintaining the fields etc. He stated he hopes they will be able to use the field in October again next year.

L. Kelly asked if Chairwoman S. Rude looked into soccer being able to use the back field in the fall. Chairwoman S. Rude stated soccer can use the back field in the fall; it needs to be rested in the spring. Girls Lacrosse uses the back field for practice in the spring but it's lightly used and will be able to be used in the fall. She stated football will be using it for a month in October for practices as well but they will have their lights set up while they are practicing. Soccer will be able to practice earlier since it will begin to be dark earlier in the fall, then football will use the fields after soccer. Chairwoman S. Rude stated the field in the middle is used in the spring like it is every year.

ADJORNMENT

A **MOTION** was made by K. Kandel and seconded by D. West, with all members in favor, to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 PM.

Respectively Submitted,

Valerie L. Galizia
Recreation Committee Secretary