

**RECREATION COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 19, 2014**

**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 S. Rude at 7:05 PM.

ROLL CALL: Chairwoman Sue Rude, Eileen Junior, Oscar Fernandez, Gene Coltelli, Jim Cutler, Vice Chairman Jeff Calvani, Kirk Kandel

Also Present: Recreation Committee Secretary Valerie Galizia, David Brownlee- Soccer, Sondra Bell- Baseball/Basketball

Absent: Daniel Coranoto,

STATEMENT: Chairwoman S. Rude stated that this 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: A **MOTION** was made by G. Coltelli and seconded by O. Fernandez, with all members in favor, to approve the September 24, 2014 Minutes.

PRIORITY DISCUSSION LIST

- 1. United Soccer Summer Camp Presentation:** Russell Burke from United Soccer Academy gave a presentation on their various soccer programs and services they offer. The Recreation Committee asked him to put together costs for running a week long camp in July and a 3 day camp during Spring Break. O. Fernandez also asked for costs for having a training program for the Recreational Soccer coaches.
- 2. Holiday Tree Lighting & Party: Friday, December 5th at 7:00pm:** Chairwoman S. Rude stated that the holiday tree lighting & party will be on Friday, December 5th at 7:00pm at the Municipal Building. She stated that everyone should be there at 6:30pm to help set-up.
- 3. 2015 Budget Introduction:** Chairwoman S. Rude introduced the 2015 proposed Recreation Committee budget. She stated that it is similar year-to-year, except that instead of putting money aside in a trust fund for the walking path this year, money is proposed to go towards re-paving the basketball court and for another set of bleachers for the soccer fields. The

paving for the basketball will need a new quote. DPW Manager D. Bayles would like permission from the Township Committee on re-paving the basketball court before moving forward with obtaining the quote. Various prices for the 3 row bleachers have already been submitted to Secretary V. Galizia from the Recreational Soccer Club. The 2015 budget will be approved by the Recreation Committee at the January meeting then brought to the Township Committee for approval.

4. Meeting & Event Dates for 2015: Chairwoman S. Rude stated that the meeting and event dates for the Easter Egg Hunt and Tree Lighting have been listed and will be posted at the January meeting during reorganization. She stated that last year the Recreation Committee wanted to try to move Hampton Day from June to a fall date but due to the Fireman's parade it was decided to hold off another year. She asked if that was something the Recreation Committee would still be interested in doing or should it be left in June.

K. Kandel asked when the pageants would be done if it is moved to the fall. Chairwoman S. Rude stated that they could be done in the Municipal Building on a separate date as had been done years ago. The consensus was to look into when the home football games are in September and try to schedule during a home game to get more people to come by.

Chairwoman S. Rude stated that she will bring up moving Hampton Day to the fall at the next Township Committee meeting. The date for Hampton Day's Fall Fest can be decided at the Recreation Committee's reorganization meeting in January.

5. Reorganization Meeting January 28, 2015 at 7:00 PM: Chairwoman S. Rude stated that the Recreation Committee's reorganization meeting will be held on January 28, 2015 at 7:00 PM at the Municipal Building.

CORRESPONDENCE

OPEN DISCUSSION

Chairwoman S. Rude stated that DPW Manager D. Bayles informed her that clay from the baseball fields was used to fill holes in the soccer fields which shouldn't have been done. Chairwoman S. Rude stated that if there is a problem with the fields, they should call her or the municipal office and let someone know fieldwork needs to be done.

Chairwoman S. Rude stated that she was told that Recreation Soccer coaches spoke with the KRHS coaches about getting on the fields at 4:30pm when it starts to get dark earlier. She stated that it had already been decided by the Township that Kittatinny was not going to be asked to leave the fields by 4:30pm that they may use the fields until 5:00pm as they have in the past. Soccer was sent an email with the decision and they should not have taken it upon themselves to ask Kittatinny's coaches to leave early. Chairwoman S. Rude stated that they were given permission to use the far back field as an extra field to practice on until 5:00pm. Midget Football representative L. Pollison also had informed L. Kelly that soccer can borrow the field lights so they can practice later.

Soccer representative D. Brownlee stated he was not given the message about being able to use the field lights. He stated that on game days Kittatinny isn't off the fields until 5:30pm sometimes and it's unfair they don't have time to use the field. He stated that the back field is horrible that it's had too much use from field hockey practice and that Kittatinny tore it up trying to aerovate it.

Chairwoman S. Rude stated she will check with DPW Manager D. Bayles on the condition of the fields, but she hasn't heard of any problems from over usage. D. Bayles is very particular with making sure the fields are being taken care of.

PUBLIC SESSION

Public Session Open. No Public Comment. Public Session Closed.

ADJOURNMENT

A **MOTION** was made by K. Kandel and seconded by O. Fernandez, with all members in favor, to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm.

Respectively Submitted,

Valerie L. Galizia
Recreation Committee Secretary