

## RECREATION COMMITTEE

FEBRUARY 24, 2016

**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 7:06PM.

**ROLL CALL:** Gene Coltelli, Rob Kowalski, Jeff Calvani, Sue Rude, Oscar Fernandez, Jim Cutler, and Tim Duvelsdorf

**Also Present:** Recreation Committee Secretary Valerie Galizia, David & Joelle Brownlee- Soccer Representatives, Sondra Bell- Basketball Representative, Brandt Anderson- Baseball Representative, Nate Sajdak- Baseball Representative, and Dianne Rude- Softball Representative

**Absent:** Kirk Kandel, Scott MacKenzie, and Blaine Crawn

**STATEMENT:** Chairwoman S. Rude stated that this meeting is being held in compliance with the provisions of P.L. 1875, 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:** J. Cutler stated that he would like to have it noted that he would like Hary Johnson receive a plaque at Hampton Park not just a brick since he was the one that came up with the design of the park. A **MOTION** was made by O. Fernandez and seconded by R. Kowalski, with all members in favor, to approve the January 27, 2016 Minutes with the change noted above.

### **PRIORITY DISCUSSION LIST**

#### **1. Sports Organization Requirements Discussion**

R. Kowalski stated that he put together a proposal for the sports funds distribution as requested after the last Recreation Committee meeting. The Recreation Committee reviewed and discussed the proposed changes.

**A MOTION** was made by J. Cutler and seconded by T. Duvelsdorf, with one opposition, to approve the following proposal for sports funds distribution:

- The Sports Organizations shall attend the February Sports Organization Meeting (Rep from each sport request the funding)
- Must be Non-Profit Rec Sport (No School or Travel Sports Programs)
- Sports shall still be required to have their coaches NYSCA Certified since that is a Township Committee requirement.

- Provide insurance certificate showing Hampton Township as additionally insured and certificate holder. (Policy must provide coverage for entire season and preseason that kids will be coached and on fields, courts, etc.)
- Attend 3 Recreation Committee Meetings- the February meeting, a meeting 1 month prior or close to the start of the sports season. They will provide Rec with registration numbers and season updates, etc. And another meeting during their season or after their season to give the Recreation Committee an update on how everything is going.
- If any sport is asked by the Rec Committee to attend a meeting because of any issues a representative from that sport must attend that meeting.
- At the February meeting any sports requesting their funding must provide Rec in writing a formal request of how much money and what the money is needed for. Rec can review requests and provide funding accordingly once above requirements have been met.
- The Rec Committee will budget a maximum of \$1,200 per sport for the sports organizations, if approved by the Township Committee.
- Any monies not distributed to sport organizations will be specifically put into a fund for Rec specific project, program, event, or added to current yearly Rec project for that calendar year and approval by the Township Committee to not be returned to general fund.
- If any sport is in need of any specific equipment related to Hampton Park that can be given to Rec in writing or brought to Rec at our monthly meetings. This could possibly be in addition to above funding (i.e. new bleachers, goals, nets, etc.)
- It is mandatory to help out at one town event.
- Any damage to fields or facilities outside of normal wear and tear that are not addressed or repaired by that sport may be taken out of following years funding for that sport. (Sports will be given a chance to address issue and not just have the money taken out)

The Recreation Committee feels that the special requests for specific equipment should be given to the Recreation Committee by the November meeting so the committee has time to review the request and can adjust the next year's budget accordingly. The Recreation Committee decided to table their motion on accepting the above terms until the March 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting so they have more time to review the revised proposal.

## **2. 7/7 Touch Football Tournament Discussion**

R. Kowalski stated that he had not heard back from the representative at this point, that he will provide an update at the March meeting.

## **3. Easter Egg Hunt Date**

Secretary V. Galizia stated that B. Crawn had been in touch with KRHS and they are holding their Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday March 12<sup>th</sup> so Recreation having their Egg Hunt on Saturday March 19<sup>th</sup> at 10am will not conflict. Members are asked to be there at 9:00am to help set up for the event.

#### **4. Lacrosse Field Use Update: Chairwoman S. Rude**

Chairwoman S. Rude stated that lacrosse will be able to use the fields just as they did last year and that it is going to be set up the same way. The fields will be staggered and they will use different colored paint to line their fields to avoid confusion. S. Rude, R. Kowalski, DPW Manager D. Bayles, and J. Major Lacrosse representative will meet to go over where the lining of the fields should be.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

##### **1. Letter from Chris Carroll, Director of Athletics at KRHS to request baseball fields for practice between March-May between the hours of 2:30pm- 5:30pm approximately.**

Chairwoman S. Rude stated that the letter was brought up at the Township Committee meeting on 2/23/16 and was given to the Recreation Committee to have a subcommittee selected to meet with Township Administrator Eileen Klose, DPW Manager D. Bayles, and Director of Athletics Chris Carroll to discuss his needs and set up guidelines. Chairwoman S. Rude and Sports Organization Liaison R. Kowalski will attend the meeting.

#### **OPEN DISCUSSION**

R. Kowalski asked if there was a chance Recreation could have a summer program as they have in the past for a 2 week period at the park. Chairwoman S. Rude responded Recreation has tried to find someone interested in running the program but the person will need to have an insurance policy and that's why it's been hard to find someone. O. Fernandez stated that he may be interested in running a summer program if he can get together some volunteers to help and it could be a fundraiser for travel soccer.

R. Kowalski asked Secretary V. Galizia to see if Hampton Township is a part of the Morris County Co-op and what companies we can contact to use for things like clay for the ball fields, grass seed, etc for park improvements. He will check in with DPW Manager D. Bayles for an update on the rubber mulch chips and drainage project to see if he has a final estimated price.

R. Kowalski suggested taking the sandbox out of the park and put a new piece of playground equipment in its place with the plaque dedicated to Hary Johnson on it.

Chairwoman S. Rude stated that B. Crawn was not able to attend the meeting but she had reached out to Secretary V. Galizia to see if 2 people will volunteer to be additional contacts for the 5K and that 4 Rec members to commit to the responsibility of the 5K. The 5K has still not been approved by KRHS or the Township Committee yet so it is not a definite event but she would like to make sure she has the volunteers before putting the event together. T. Duvelsdorf, R. Kowalski, O. Fernandez, and J. Cutler volunteered to commit to helping with the 5K.

B. Crawn also asked how the Rec Committee would feel about the funds received from the 5K is split for a scholarship for a KRHS student and the rest go towards something for Rec. Chairwoman S. Rude stated that she isn't sure that this is something Rec can do since the Recreation Committee cannot make donations. Secretary V. Galizia will find out if it is something the Recreation Committee can do and report back at the next meeting.

### **PUBLIC SESSION**

Basketball Representative S. Bell stated that she was not able to attend the last Recreation Committee meeting because she had a practice and understands she was late in getting her paperwork into the Township but she wanted to know if she would still be able to receive her funding. Chairwoman S. Rude stated that she will be able to collect her funding in the fall, just as she has in the past few years, and she will not have missed any funding.

### **ADJORNMENT**

A **MOTION** was made by Vice Chairman J. Calvani and seconded by O. Fernandez, with all members in favor, to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 P.M.

Respectively Submitted,

Valerie L. Galizia  
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