

## **Recreation Committee April 18, 2018**

**FLAG SALUTE:** Led by Chairwoman S. Rude at 7:10pm.

**ROLL CALL:** Vice Chairman Rob Kowalski, Joelle Brownlee, Chairwoman Sue Rude, George Hudock, Tim Duvelsdorf

**Also Present:** Recreation Committee Secretary Valerie Galizia, Soccer Representative Dawn Hudock, Little League Representative Brandt Anderson, Hampton Softball Representative Anna Pascarella, and Hampton Softball Representative Ashley Lake

**Not Present:** Scott MacKenzie, Katie Rotondi, and Oscar Fernandez

**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 location of posted notices in the municipal building.

**MINUTES:** A MOTION was made by G. Hudock and seconded by J. Brownlee, with all members in favor, to approve the February 21, 2018 meeting minutes.

### **PRIORITY DISCUSSION**

#### **1. Art Class Update: K. Rotondi**

K. Rotondi was unable to make the Recreation Committee meeting but gave Secretary V. Galizia an update for the committee. Secretary V. Galizia stated that there were 9 people at the art class and that they all really enjoyed it. K. Rotondi took some pictures during the art class and they have been posted on the Rec Facebook page. The medium for this class was decoupage and mixed media. Next month's class will be on writing. K. Rotondi will create new flyers for the upcoming classes and get them to Secretary V. Galizia soon.

#### **2. Recreation Bylaws Update**

Vice Chairman R. Kowalski stated that he, S. MacKenzie, and K. Rotondi met to start working on creating the new bylaws for Hampton Recreation. He stated that the bylaws are close to being complete and ready for review. S. MacKenzie has the new bylaws but was unable to make the Recreation Committee meeting.

#### **3. Hampton Day Update: R. Kowalski**

Vice Chairman R. Kowalski stated that he has the fireworks and DJ reserved for Hampton Day pending Township Committee approval. They are the same companies used as last year. The DJ will be bringing a photo booth for free this year since they had such a great time at

Hampton Day last year. The Fire Department will be cooking sausage & peppers and would like to be on the basketball court with the other food vendors. Chairwoman S. Rude asked Secretary V. Galizia to see if the Fire Department is interested in doing a 50/50 raffle again as well. Chefs Deli Catering and Sparta Dairy will also be food vendors that day. Vice Chairman R. Kowalski asked Secretary V. Galizia to see if the Hummingbird House will be back again this year as well.

The pavilion will not be used for cooking this year but the restrooms will be open. Vice Chairman R. Kowalski stated that maybe the pavilion can be opened in the evening before the fireworks start to hand out glow sticks to the kids and a couple trays of cookies or something.

Chairwoman S. Rude asked if L. Korver was still going to host the Miss Hampton competition at Hampton Day since its prom weekend. Secretary V. Galizia said that she would check.

Vice Chairman R. Kowalski stated that he is going to reserve the tents, tables, and chairs from Tri State again like last year. He said that people seemed to enjoy having the seating area around the food and the tents for the vendors. Any vendors participating may also request to rent a table for an additional \$10.00 on their vendor fee. He stated that Christina Doone is in charge of organizing the vendors again this year and has been getting a lot of positive feedback on vendors wanting to participate this year.

Vice Chairman R. Kowalski stated that K. Rotondi will be in charge of the Talent Show again this year and that he will touch base with her to see what her plan is for that event. He asked J. Brownlee if she would be in charge of the carnival games and prizes as she has in the past. J. Brownlee stated that she will do the carnival games and will need some extra volunteers to help run the games & give out prizes. The carnival games will most likely only be available for a certain block of time as it has the past couple years.

Vice Chairman R. Kowalski stated that he spoke with K. Ruitenburg about having the peer leaders come help at Hampton Day. He commended the peer leaders for all the wonderful things they did at the Easter Egg Hunt. He suggested having them do face painting and tattoos at Hampton Day since they did such a great job at the Easter Egg Hunt. K. Ruitenburg mentioned it to some of her peer leaders and said that they are definitely interested in participating at Hampton Day.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Secretary V. Galizia stated that she had received an email and phone call from a representative of Gertrude Hawk candy asking if the Recreation Committee would be interested in selling candy bars as a fundraiser.

The Recreation Committee agreed that they are not interested in participating in the Gertrude Hawk candy fundraiser.

## **OPEN DISCUSSION**

T. Duvelsdorf stated that he would like to see a car and bike show at Hampton Park again, possibly in 2019. He stated that he would like the Hampton Recreation Committee to run the event instead of having a specific car club run it.

Vice Chairman R. Kowalski stated that he would like to see another car/bike show as well but that the benefit of having a car club or promoter organize the event is that they have way more car enthusiast connections that they can reach out to then the members of the Recreation Committee.

The Recreation Committee agreed to plan to organize a car show either at the Fall Fest in 2018 or sometime in 2019.

Vice Chairman R. Kowalski stated that he spoke with DPW Manager D. Bayles to see if he has any idea of when they might be able to do the drainage to start the park project since winter has lingered much longer than anticipated. D. Bayles will let R. Kowalski know when he sees a block of time available to do start the project but at this time he's still trying to catch up.

Secretary V. Galizia stated that she passed along the request to Township Administrator E. Klose to seek approval from the Township Committee to have SLAP paint the outside & inside of the park pavilion.

## **PUBLIC SESSION**

D. Hudock stated that she feels that the Recreation Committee should push the time of the Easter Egg Hunt next year to accommodate for the McKeown PTA pancake breakfast with the Easter Bunny. She stated that they moved their breakfast to start at 8am and with the Easter Egg Hunt beginning at 10am, they did not have many people in attendance for the pancake breakfast since it was too early.

Chairwoman S. Rude stated that it shouldn't be a problem to start the Egg Hunt an hour later next year.

B. Anderson stated that he will act as the liaison between the Hampton Recreation Committee and Kittatinny High School for sports concerns.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**A MOTION** was made by T. Duvelsdorf and seconded by Vice Chairman R. Kowalski, with all members in favor, to adjourn the meeting at 7:52pm.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Valerie L. Galizia  
Recreation Committee Secretary