

Recreation Committee November 16, 2016

FLAG SALUTE: Led by Chairwoman S. Rude at 7:00pm.

ROLL CALL: Jim Cutler, Vice Chairman Jeff Calvani, Chairwoman S. Rude, Joelle Brownlee, Rob Kowalski, Tim Duvelsdorf, and Blaine Crawn (7:10)

Also Present: Recreation Committee Secretary Valerie Galizia, Soccer Representative David Brownlee, and Basketball Representative Sondra Bell

Not Present: Scott MacKenzie 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 J. Calvani and seconded by T. Duvelsdorf, with all members in favor, to approve the October 26, 2016 meeting minutes.

PRIORITY DISCUSSION

1. Tree Lighting and Holiday Party Friday December 2nd at 7:00pm

Chairwoman S. Rude stated that the Tree Lighting and Holiday Party will take place on Friday, December 2nd at 7:00pm. She stated that everyone should be there around 6:00pm to start to set up.

2. 2017 Event Discussion

Chairwoman S. Rude stated that the Recreation Committee discussed some possible events at the last meeting. She stated that Chris Logsdon is interested in doing a painted sign class in the park pavilion once the weather is nicer. Secretary V. Galizia stated that she messaged Mrs. Paparella about doing a joint Easter Egg hunt and having volunteers for the summer program. Mrs. Paparella stated that she is interested but that it is something that she will have to bring to the attention of the administrator and possibly the Board of Education. She will have an answer by next month.

3. 2017 Budget Discussion

Secretary V. Galizia stated that she has not made up a budget for 2017. She is waiting to work on a new set up for a budget spreadsheet with S. MacKenzie and will email it to the committee members once it is ready.

R. Kowalski stated that he wants to make sure that the rest of the funds left from the 2016 year will be allocated to go towards the rubber mulch and playground equipment project that should take place in 2017. There was money left from the 2015 budget that was set aside and there will be another \$5,000.00 at the end of this year.

A MOTION was made by R. Kowalski and seconded by J. Brownlee, with all members in favor, to allocate the rest of the funds left from 2016 to be put into the park improvements fund and apply towards playground improvements in 2017.

4. January 25, 2017 at 7:00pm next Recreation Committee meeting

Chairwoman S. Rude stated that there is no December Recreation Committee meeting and that the next meeting will be held on January 25, 2017 at 7:00pm.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Jerri Dalling letter to run the Summer Recreational program.

Chairwoman S. Rude stated that Secretary V. Galizia reached out to J. Dalling to see if she would still be interested in running the recreation program in the summer of 2017. She is interested in running 3, two week sessions and will have a different theme each week. She will prepare a detailed plan to bring to the Recreation Committee at the January meeting. She stated that she has a few teen volunteers ready that need to do so many hours of community service in order to graduate high school. She will call Kittatinny High School to see if there are more students in need of community service time that would be interested in helping at the summer recreation program.

OPEN DISCUSSION

T. Duvelsdorf asked how the Radio City bus trip went to the Christmas Spectacular. Secretary V. Galizia stated that there were 32 people that went on the bus trip. She stated that everything went as planned and that the participants said they all had a great time.

J. Cutler asked that when the new budget is ready to please send it to the Recreation Committee members to review before the January meeting.

Vice Chairman J. Calvani stated that he wanted to see if there was an update on Recreation enforcing the protective eyewear for certain children and supplementing Title 5 of the Revised Statutes. Secretary V. Galizia stated that she spoke with Township Administrator E. Klose and that it is not something that the Township can enforce. She said that it wouldn't be up to the Township to be responsible for checking the eyewear that it is up to the individual sports organizations to ensure they or the referee's would be responsible for making sure the children are meeting the requirements for safety issues. She said that's why each sport organization is to have their own liability insurance that holds the Township harmless in the event that someone gets hurt while playing a sport. She said that what we can do is forward the legislation that you

had given me to the sports organizations and suggest that they enforce using the frames and lens standard that they have listed.

R. Kowalski stated that he wanted to bring the idea of purchasing a snow machine off Amazon for the tree lighting. The snow machine would blow fake snow made of a dissolvable fluid for approximately 20 minutes. He stated that it is about \$160.00 for the snow machine and fluid. The Recreation Committee asked Secretary V. Galizia to see if this is something that they would be able to purchase and if so to contact to contact R. Kowalski to order the item.

PUBLIC SESSION

Public Session Open. No public comment. Public Session Closed.

ADJOURNMENT

A **MOTION** was made by Vice Chairman J. Brownlee and seconded by T. Duvelsdorf, with all members in favor, to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Valerie L. Galizia
Recreation Committee Secretary