

**Borough of Washington, Warren County, New Jersey  
Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes  
16 February 2011  
7:30 PM**

**Roll Call**

- Present: April Tulle, Beth Uporsky, Adam Zimmer, Mike Nachbaur, Penny Shaul
- Absent: Victor Cioni, Scott McDonald, Rich Phelan. Erica Kilkinney

**Future Meeting Schedule**

Day	Date	Time
Wednesday	Feb 16	7:30
Tuesday	March 1	6:30
Wednesday	March 16	7:30
Tuesday	April 5	6:30
Friday/Saturday (not a public meeting)	April 15 / 16 (Easter Egg Hunt preparation and event)	TBD
Wednesday	April 20	7:30

**Minutes of prior meeting**

- <Approved / Approved with Changes >
- Changes:

**Communications**

- To/From Committee: various requests and questions about current sports. No significant matters.

**Audience Participation**

- Rob Bunting – 2 nights per week (men’s softball) - need to confirm days of play by March 20<sup>th</sup> for softball, baseball (youth)
  - Beth will mail the fee schedule – 81 Yeomans Ave. ACTION –daily fee \$225/season/ Lights - \$55 out of borough and days of play to Rob.
  - Resident Jeanine Gleba proposed the idea of Recreation running a sport summer camp at the Borough facilities for a user fee (camp plus pool access included). The ideas included running basketball or other sport camps, field trips, possibly sponsored by the Nets or baseball, sponsored by Patriots. Jeanine offered to help with the effort.
  - The Committee thanked Jeanine for her volunteerism in support of the Recreation Department. Beth Uporsky noted that softball signups and referee voucher management have gone very smoothly, thanks to Jeanine.
  - Dave Hackney – Washington Borough Little League(WBLL), which consists 100% residents, will change up Memorial field to accommodate softball rec. Little League maintains the field, including fixing backstop. They will also line three fields on Vara for use by softball. The Little League would like Boro park field for 4 to 5 games (Saturday night games). If WBLL shows receipts for costs incurred to maintain Vara, maintain Steinhart and to modify Memorial School field for softball, will Rich consider buying the youth baseball mound\* – approx cost \$1200) and waive fees for Steinhart? First step: meet with Rich to discuss WBLL’s potential costs:
    - Estimated costs of improvements and maintenance \$3200 materials (not including professional labor donated and improvements to the batting cage)
  - Also use the field for April 16 – June 17. Friday night clinic run by Warren Hills LL 6 – 8:30. Warren Hills Little League (separate from WBLL) will incur a fee for usage, including as needed (early in the season.) Season Fee \$225 – lights to be determined by conversation with Rich.
  - All Stars (Warren Hills) will pay \$225 to have carte blanche use of field from June 15 – Aug 10.
- \*Mound must be LL approved, tournament approved. Dave Hackney has details and price ranges.  
ACTION – Beth will contact Dave to meet with Rich.

**REPORTS**

- Council Liaison Report – nothing to report
- Rec Director Report– nothing to report
- Penny’s Program Research: Penny provided results of research of other town’s programs and fees.

**New Business**

- Welcome New Committee Persons – general introductions and discussions
- April: Can we consider Bingo? (St. Joe's has Bingo wed and Sun) or Scrapbooking? Gentle exercise program.
- Penny: New idea for seniors Spring Fling and Senior Dance at the Park. 50/50 raffle. Tricky Tray. All ages, in the gazebo, Music – fundraising, selling flowers at a profit and barbeque. How do we handle the money?? Penny will rough out this idea and bring it to the next meeting. Is this a POOL OPENING IDEA? Add to next agenda. Allow volunteer clubs to participate with Tables – (information only, no fundraising)

### **Unfinished Business – 2011 Planning**

1. Vote on meeting schedule through April. – Schedule looks good to everyone until a rec director is hired.
2. 2011 Recreation Fees: Review fees and provide a response to Borough Manager and Council, including recommendations.
  - Penny researched other towns' offerings and fees and shared the draft data with the Committee.
3. Capital Improvement Plan – Begin working on a 5-year plan, through subcommittee
4. Maintenance Improvement Plan – Prioritize the maintenance list
5. Recreation Ordinance/Committee Responsibilities – Discussion at the Council level
6. 5K Run – Fund Raiser (Adam Zimmer)
7. 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament– Fund Raiser (Beth Uporsky)
  - NBA will sometimes offer NBA sponsored 3 in 3. Bring in the timekeepers, etc. 12-24 teams. What's the funding split?

### **SPORTS PROGRAMS: Reports**

- Adult Basketball – Nothing to report
- Youth Basketball – schedule going as planned
- Youth Street Hockey - schedule going as planned
- Youth Softball – Field planning session (1/26): see Audience participation.
- Swim Team – Nothing to report
- Adult Baseball– Nothing to report
- Youth Soccer– Nothing to report
- Field Hockey– Nothing to report

### **OTHER PROGRAMS AND ISSUES: Reports**

- Game Day
- Easter Egg Hunt funding
- 3 on 3
- 5K Run
- New Program Proposals - see new business

### **Website**

- Changes Needed / Changes Made: Beth provided Penny with a printout of the pages for review

### **Comments**

- Committee Comments
- Recreation Chairman Comments

Adjourn: **9:30**