

Borough of Washington, Warren County, New Jersey
Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes
April 11th - 7:00 PM

The Meeting of the Recreation Commission of the Borough of Washington, Warren County, New Jersey was held in the Council Chambers of Borough Hall at 7:00p.m.

Opening 7:15p.m.

Flag Salute

Statement of Adequate Notice

- Victor Cioni read the following Statement into the Record: “The requirements of the ‘Open Public Meetings Law, 1975, Chapter 231’ have been satisfied in that adequate notice of this meeting has been published in the Star Gazette and posted on the Bulletin Board of Borough Hall stating the time, place and purpose of the meeting as required by law.”

Roll Call

- Present: Jeff Haines, Melissa Hommes (7:15), Jesica Olmos, Victor Cioni
- Absent: Adam Zimmer, Tim Shanahan, Mike Nachbaur, Christina Howley
- Also Present: Des Fitzgerald, Kristine Blanchard (filling in for Christina as secretary)

Minutes of Prior Meetings

- Jeff Haines motioned to approve the minutes from the 3/28/12 meeting with no changes. Seconded by Melissa Hommes. Ayes: 4 Nays:0 Minutes approved, motion carried.

Audience Participation

- Jeff Haines motioned to open the audience participation portion. Seconded by Melissa Hommes. Ayes: 4 Nays:0 Motion carried.
- Jim Chrisafis residing at 170 Washington Avenue Apt B2 stated that he was disappointed there were no medallions handed out at the street hockey end of season banquet. Mike Nachbaur who is street hockey liaison was not present at the meeting. Recreation does not disperse funds for medals. Vic will follow up with Mike to let him know of the discussion.
- Jeff Haines motioned to close the audience participation portion. Seconded by Melissa Hommes. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Communications

- Changes to by laws: anywhere it says “board”, replace with commission. Also, page 5 section 4 the end of year report should include balance in rec trust as well as each individual sport.
- Ayes: 4 Nays:0 Motion carried.

Recreation Director’s Report

- Grandstand lighting project has been completed. Vic asked what would John Dorsch charge for completing the lighting at the pavilion. Vic asked that Des reach out to him to get quote to have motion sensor lighting at the pavilion.
- USA Soccer has a spring clinic for 3-5 year olds starting on Tuesday April 17th. Classes are held from 3 to 4pm every Tuesday for the next 6 weeks so it won’t interfere with softball in any way. USA Soccer and Challenger Sports also have summer week long camps which will be held at Boro Park this summer. Flyers will be going out to the schools very soon.

Old Business

- Easter Egg Hunt. Melissa thought it went fabulous. She gave out certificates of appreciation to those people who provided donations. Estimate of candy from the previous year was too low. More candy is needed for next year. Probably more like 2,000 pieces of candy instead of 1,200. If we need more eggs, we could probably reach out to Target or Walmart to donate. Melissa will also be responsible to provide an event recap in writing to the Recreation Director for filing.
- Background Check Discussion – No meeting yet from the codebook committee
- New signs for Vara and Steinhardt – Frank Blanche said he will have them installed sometime this week. Donations were made through Warren County Liquors and the Warren Hills Memorial Home.

New Business

- “Brewfest” Festival possibly the first weekend of October 2013 at Borough Park Ball field. Parking would have to be addressed. May be able to get helpful information from Newtown, PA coordinator. Possibly set up a subcommittee to discuss feasibility.

Sports Programs

- Swim Team Bowling fundraiser will be held April 21st. Jesica posted over 25 flyers around town including Glen Gardner and Hampton.
- Girls Softball – Getting ready for games to start and everything is going well. The field and the bathrooms look good. Des and crew did a good job with the bathrooms.
- Men’s Basketball – most likely will be canceled but we will decide after the June 1st registration deadline.

Website – Changes Needed

None noted.

Commission Comments

- Motion made by Jeff Haines that the scope of the work of all items listed herein are to be provided and installed by the contractor, as well as a ‘not to exceed’ clause. No additional items or charges will be accepted. This would be in effect for any contract awarded at or above the \$2,625 public quote threshold as per state law.

Adjournment

Jeff Haines motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:10pm, seconded by Jesica Olmos.

Ayes: 7 Nays:0 Motion Carried

Adjourn **8:10PM**