

Borough of Washington, Warren County, New Jersey
Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes
May 09th - 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 7:01p.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: Tim Shanahan, Jesica Olmos, Victor Cioni, Michael Nachbaur, Adam Zimmer (7:21)
- Absent: Jeff Haines, Melissa Hommes
- Also Present: Des Fitzgerald, Scott McDonald (7:18), Christina Howley

Minutes of Prior Meetings

- Mike Nachbaur motioned to approve the minutes from the 4/25/12 meeting with no changes. Seconded by Tim Shanahan. Ayes: 4 Nays:0 Minutes approved, motion carried.

Audience Participation

- Tim Shanahan motioned to open the audience participation portion. Seconded by Jesica Olmos. Motion carried.
- Victor Cioni motioned to close the audience participation portion. Seconded by Mike Nachbaur. Motion carried.

Communications

- None.

Recreation Director’s Report

- Des spoke about the water wheel. DPW still needs to run the 2 hour test so that Terry Finnegan and WBYS has an idea of how much it costs to run and can budget accordingly.
- Snack Bar Renovations - J&M Air started last Friday. Should be back tomorrow to install the hood. Should take approximately one day for the hood. John Dorsch will be able to start his electrical portion of the work on Monday.

Report from Council Liaison

- Background check discussion – there has been a meeting, but no report as of yet.

Old Business

- The domain name of www.boro5k.com will be up and running for a minimal cost of approximately \$10 per year. Hosting of this website will be done through City Connections. There will be a new icon for the 5k race added to the recreation homepage.

New Business

- Victor wanted to make sure it's clear that no recreation employees should have any overtime. Any time there is a need it should be taken in comp time instead. Tim Shanahan motioned to make sure there is no paid overtime to any recreation employees. Seconded by Jessica Olmos.
All in favor, motion carried.
- Grandstand food sales – prepackaged items can be sold at the grandstand as soon as we are ready. The shelf will be put up tomorrow or the next day. Victor spoke with Frank Blanche and it will cost \$35 for a 10x30inch sign for the snack bar. Adam Zimmer motioned pay for the snack bar sign out of Recreation Trust. Seconded by Tim Shanahan.
All in favor, motion carried.

Softball will sell the food with parent volunteers. Softball will donate the money back to recreation to be used for their program

Sports Programs

- 5k – The domain, the signs, and the website are in the works. We need to start getting donors.
- Swim Team – Fay Perticari has agreed to come back and co-coach the Sharks along with Andrew Ward. More swim team participants are needed in order to have a team this year. League meeting is Tuesday May 15th and the Sharks Parent meeting is Friday May 18th at Boro Hall at 6pm.
- Youth Soccer – Vara Field looks much better as far as the amount of weeds. Registrations are now being taken for the 2012 fall season.
- Field Hockey – Forms are on the website. Vic has a little blurb about our field hockey team in the Messenger. League meeting in June, date to be determined.
- Youth Basketball – Mike wrote a re-cap on the clinic with some suggestions for next year. Session should be between 14-16 participants. Needs to start earlier so it doesn't run into baseball season. Run possibly different sessions.
- Adult Softball – possibly the charity game the 2nd or 3rd week in September.
- Adult Baseball – Adam spoke with the league commissioner and he is interested in using Boro Park as a league field. Possible as many as 3 games on Sundays. Would need a portable mound and nets. Adam will set up a meeting with league commissioner and Des for some time in August.
- Youth Baseball – Adam would like to hold a baseball clinic for one week in July, possibly Monday thru Friday from 10am to 4pm. Would like to split them up into two age groups 8 to 12 and 13 to 16. There would be skills assessments Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Thursday and Friday would split the kids up and play games. Possibly Friday night two games could be played under the lights. Adam will work on the costs and get back to us with a number. Maybe kids from the High School Varsity team

could help coach the kids. Possible problems to look into are the pitching mound and nets. All are in favor of moving forward with Adam's week long baseball camp.

- Men's Basketball – Victor getting a lot of calls of interest in the program. Still no teams registered yet but we will wait until June 1st.
- Pool – Teen Pool Party, Victor secured another donation from NJAW for \$500 to support the teen pool parties. Moved from Wednesday nights to Friday nights and only for 6 weeks so the \$500 should cover the overhead costs for the program.
- Tennis Clinic – 3 registered participants so far. Flyers going home this Friday with students at Memorial School.

Website – Changes Needed

- None

Commission Comments

- Scott McDonald mentioned that the codebook committee met a few days ago but no updates yet.
- Victor spoke with Rob Torres regarding background checks and suggested we do it the way WBYB does. There's a website they use for about \$30 a month and it's instantaneous.
- Kiwanis has agreed to donate the cost of the sign to replace the old pool sign on Route 31. Victor is meeting with Frank Blanche on Friday to discuss.
- Victor also wants to make sure that the playground area is framed out with 6" x 6" landscape ties like discussed in previous meetings. All commissioners agree.
- Des would like to increase the amount of money per hour paid to our lifeguards to be more competitive with other pools in the area. Adam Zimmer motioned to bump the salary of lifeguards to whatever amount Des suggests as long as it is within the range ordinance. Seconded by Jesica Olmos. All in favor, motion carried.

Adjournment

Adam Zimmer motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:06pm, seconded by Michael Nachbaur.
Ayes: 5 Nays:0 Motion Carried

Adjourn **8:06PM**