

Borough of Washington, Warren County, New Jersey
Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes
December 10, 2014 - 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 7:00 p.m.

Opening 7:02 p.m.

Flag Salute

Statement of Adequate Notice

- Adam Robinson 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: Adam Robinson, Joe Pinto, Danni-lyn Steiner, Tom Iadevaia, Adam Zimmer. Also present: Ethel Conry, Jeff Greene and Susan Turner.

Audience Participation

- Adam Robinson moved to open the audience participation portion of the meeting. Seconded by Tom Iadevaia. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion carried. Audience participation portion opened.
- Adam R. moved to close the audience participation portion. Seconded by Danni-lyn Steiner. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion carried, audience participation closed.

Minutes of Prior Meetings

- Adam R. moved to approve the minutes from the 11/12/14 meeting. Seconded by Joe Pinto. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 4. Motion carried. Minutes approved.

Old Business:

- Fee Schedule – The control of the lights at Boro Park will be returned to the Recreation Department as will any fees paid for lighting. This will offset possible additional fees discussed at the last meeting. There will not be any changes made to the field usage fees.
Adam Zimmer raised concerns about the \$500 per team fee paid by Men’s softball versus the \$200 plus daily usage fee paid by USA Soccer. Men’s softball pays for their own umpires, Rec pays for the balls. Adam said he volunteered his time cleaning up after games, storing equipment and locking up. He feels, and others agreed, that a Rec or Park employee should be in charge of that. It was pointed out that a specific seasonal fee was worked out for Men’s softball and if they were to pay the field fee plus the daily fee for games 3 times per week the cost would be significantly higher.
A discussion was held regarding fees for hockey and girls softball participants in grades K-2. Basketball and soccer have lower fees for the younger children. There are no umpires/referees needed for the younger children. Hockey parents also have to purchase equipment. Joe Pinto said the younger softball players can wear t-shirts as long as there are numbers on the back. Joe said that in some instances the younger girls may move up to the 3rd grade team. It was stipulated that parents must be made aware that they would be responsible for any additional registration fees if their daughter advanced. Tom Iadevaia made a motion to amend the fee schedule changing the Street Hockey fee for K-2nd Grade to \$35 and the

Girls Softball Ponytail League (2nd Gr) fee to \$35. Seconded by Danni-lyn Steiner. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0, Absent: 1. Motion carried. Fee schedule to be amended.

- Splash Pad – Joe Pinto obtained copies of the bids submitted. He researched some of the companies and compared their costs. He is concerned about the \$60,000 difference in the accepted bid and the next highest one. Joe thinks the project should be put off until next fall so it will not interfere with the pool/swimming season.

Recreation Director's Report

- There were no questions or concerns regarding Jeff's report.

Council Liaison's Report

- No report.

Sports Programs

- Easter Egg Hunt —No report.
- 5k – (Adam Robinson) – No report.
- Youth Soccer – (Victor Cioni) – No report (Absent).
- Street Hockey – (Chris Zimmerman) – No report (Absent).
- Youth Basketball – (Tom Iadavaia) –
- Lil' Hoopsters – (Brian Collum) -
- Youth Baseball – (Adam Robinson) – No report.
- Adult Baseball – (Adam Robinson) – No report.
- Girls Softball – (Joe Pinto) – No report.
- Adult Softball – (Adam Zimmer) –
- Karate – (Danni-lyn Steiner) – Session 2 is
- Swim Team – (Joe Pinto) – There is a Parents club meeting in January.
- Pool – (Victor) –No report (Absent).
- Aqua Zumba – (Victor Cioni) – No report (Absent).
- Tennis Clinic – (Victor) – No report (Absent).
- Lacrosse Clinic –No report.

Commissioner Comments

- Joe Pinto –No comments.
- Adam Zimmer – No comments.
- Adam Robinson – No comments.
- Victor Cioni–Absent.
- Chris Zimmerman- Absent.
- Danni-lyn Steiner – No comments.
- Brian Collum –Absent.
- John Ruela – Absent.
- Tom Iadevaia – No comments.

Website

- We have 587 Facebook friends.

Recap

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Adjournment

- Tom Iadevaia moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 pm. Seconded by Danni-lyn Steiner. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

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Adjourn **8:41 PM**