

**Borough of Washington, Warren County, New Jersey**  
**Recreation Commission Reorganizational Meeting Minutes**  
**January 7, 2015 - 7:00 PM**

The Re-organizational 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.

**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: Victor Cioni, Joe Pinto, Tom Iadevaia, Adam Zimmer
- Also Present: Jeff Greene, Ethel Conry, Susan Turner

**Nomination and Appointment of Recreation Commission Officers**

- Recreation Chairman –Adam Zimmer moved to nominate Victor Cioni as Chairman, seconded by Joe Pinto. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion Carried
- Recreation Vice Chairman – Adam Zimmer moved to nominate Adam Robinson as Vice Chairman, seconded by Tom Iadevaia. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion Carried

**Minutes of Prior Meeting**

- Ethel Conry was not listed in those present. Her name will be added to the minutes. Adam Zimmer moved to approve the minutes from the 12/10/14 meeting with changes. Seconded by Joe Pinto. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Minutes approved, motion carried.

**Recreation Director’s Report**

In addition to Jeff’s report he discussed:

- Memorial School is asking us to pay half the cost of replacing a broken module in the gym scoreboard; \$750. Jeff asked Mr. Rosza for 3 estimates but has only received one. Commissioners had several concerns including: We are not the only group to use the gym. Should others, or only the school, pay for the repairs and, if we don’t pay will it ever get repaired and/or will Rec be reprimanded. Since it will not affect the Basketball season Adam Zimmer made a motion to table the discussion until after 3 estimates were received. Seconded by Vic. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion Carried
- Uniforms – 2 soccer uniforms have not been returned despite numerous calls and emails to the parents. Rec will have to pay \$48 to buy new uniforms. Jeff feels we should charge a \$50 fee to parents who do not return a uniform as well as not allowing their child to participate in any Rec program until the uniform is returned or the fee is paid. Adam Zimmer made a motion to add a \$50 uniform fee to all registration forms. Seconded by Tom. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion Carried

**Council Liaison’s Report**

- Vic announced that Ethel was re-appointed as Recreation Liaison. Ethel said she is glad to be back. Her grandson is enjoying the basketball program very much.

**New Business**

- Approval of Meeting Dates for 2015 – In 2014 some meetings were cancelled due to lack of New Business or lack of a quorum, especially in the summer due to vacations. Vic suggested altering the

meeting schedule by removing the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of May, June, July and August. If important new business arises a second meeting can be scheduled. Vic moved to accept the meeting dates schedule for 2015. Seconded by Adam Zimmer. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

- Borough Park Nets- the nets cannot be attached to the lighting poles as this would void any lighting warranty. Jeff is getting 3 quotes and he will talk with Kristine Blanchard about getting an additional pole installed. The Borough Council is mandating the nets so the cost will go into the Recreation Budget request.
- Approval of Sports/Pool Liaisons.
  - 5K – Adam Robinson
  - Swim Team – Joe Pinto
  - Youth Soccer – Victor Cioni
  - Street Hockey – Chris Zimmerman
  - Youth Basketball – Brian Collum
  - Youth Baseball/Little League – Tom Iadevaia/ Adam Robinson
  - Girls Softball – Tom Iadevaia
  - Karate –John Ruela
  - Adult Softball – Adam Zimmer
  - Easter Egg hunt – Group Collaboration
  - Pool/Aqua Zumba – Victor Cioni
  - Recreation Website/Facebook Page – Victor Cioni

### **Sports Programs – Liaison Reports**

- 5K – No report.
- Swim Team –
- Soccer –
- Street Hockey –
- Youth Basketball –Kids and parents love the new uniforms. Lil Hoopsters had its first session Tuesday night. There are 3 coaches per session.
- Youth Baseball/Little League – There is a meeting on Jan 18. Adam Zimmer spoke about getting a Little League under the lights program returned to the field. A portable mound would be needed. Tom said the building of one was discussed at the Dec meeting. We have the speaker system which would make the games even more fun for the children. Vic suggested that Little League put together the proposal/information and come to us with it.
- Girls’ Softball – Joe is resigning as Girls Softball liaison. He believes there is enough time before the season starts for the commission to get another liaison. If his girls play he may coach. Jeff advised that flyers were made with a signup cutoff date of Feb 17. These will be distributed at the schools on Friday.
- Karate – no report
- Adult Softball – There is a managers meeting the end of Jan. Jeff will give Adam the lock code for the coaches room. According to the league “contract” the teams are responsible for cleaning up the field after their game. Adam will let them know to also lock up bathrooms. Adam asked that park workers hours be staggered so that one is available later in the day for field work.
- Pool /Park Status – no report
- Tennis Clinic - no report
- Lacrosse Clinic – no report
- Aqua Zumba – Vic is looking into getting posters made up.

### **Commissioner Comments**

- Adam Z was sorry to see Joe resign from Girls Softball. He volunteered to help Jeff.
- Vic- the apparel store available through AllSports carries generic Boro Bears items all the time. Sports specific items are available during their season

- Vic asked all commissioners to check their emails about meetings regularly and let him know if they cannot attend a meeting. If we won't have a quorum he will re-schedule the meeting.
- Vic – Splash Pad – DPW will meet with Veolia re: pipes at the pool. He and Jeff will meet with John Burd (DPW) re: pre-construction work. As per Suburban Engineering there will be a pre-construction meeting with the contractor Ray Palmer. Work is expected to start at the end of February when the equipment arrives.
- As per the Borough Manager the Recreation fee schedule and ordinance changes will be on the agenda for the Borough Council's Jan 20 meeting.

### Website

- We have 610 friends on our Facebook page.

### Adjournment

Adam Zimmer moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 pm, seconded by Vic.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion Carried

Adjourn **8:19 PM**