

Borough of Washington, Warren County, New Jersey
Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes
December 9, 2015 - 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 7:03 p.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, Tom Iadevaia, John Ruela, Terry Thomas, Adam Zimmer, Chris Zimmerman.
Also present: Ethel Conry, Council Liaison (7:06) and Susan Turner, Recreation Secretary

Audience Participation

- No Audience Participation session. No Audience members present.

Minutes of Prior Meeting

- Vic Cioni moved to approve the minutes from the 11/10/15 meeting. Seconded by Tom Iadevaia. Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1. Motion carried. Minutes approved.

New Business:

- New commissioner – Sean Farrington was sworn in as a new Recreation Commissioner.
- Candidate Interview – Daniel Marks was interviewed by the commission for the Recreation Director position.
- Vending machines – Vic received a proposal from The Vending Group, a copy of which was provided to all commissioners. All commissioners will review the proposal and be prepared to discuss it at the January 2016 meeting.
- Team signage – School Superintendent Rosza has given permission for a banner to be hung in the Memorial School gym. An area sign company recommended by Chris Zimmerman can create the banners for \$55 each. Another sign company wanted \$158 for one. Vic made a motion to approve \$165.00 for the purchase of 3 banners. Seconded by Adam Zimmer. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0 Motion approved.
- Update on Rec Account Expenses – tabled until the January meeting.

Old Business:

- Park Cameras – Cameras are being stored at the park until they are installed. Vic said they can be installed as soon as the electrician is available or sometime later in the spring. All commissioners agreed they should be installed as soon as possible.
- Fencing Repairs – this item will be discussed in the spring.
- Online Store – Vic contacted AllSports about putting together a pamphlet. They could do this after January. Terry Thomas put one together at home and handed it out to parents. He has gotten some good responses. Terry will send a digital copy to Susan. Adam asked if we can have one that is for just

Washington Borough Bears merchandise, not sports specific. Vic will email AllSports to have all items on the website.

Recreation Director's Report

- No Report.

Council Liaison's Report

- The DPW worker dedicated to the park/pool is still in talks.

Recreation Secretary's Report

- Basketball refunds – One Youth Basketball participant broke her arm the first week of practice. Her parent requested a refund. One Lil Hoopsters participant has moved out of the area and will not be participating. Adam Zimmer moved to refund both the Youth Basketball and the Lil Hoopsters registration fees. Seconded by Terry. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion passed.

Sports Programs Liaison Report

- Swim Team – (Joe Pinto) – Expenses for Swim Team were \$1,000 + more than 2014 but there were only 4 more participants. Questions were raised about the coaches' salaries. Susan will get the numbers together for the next meeting.
- Easter Egg Hunt – this program needs a liaison/commissioner.
- 5K - this program needs a liaison/commissioner.
- Soccer – (Victor Cioni) - A rough inventory was done. 5 balls of each size, bags and pumps have been ordered.
- Street Hockey – (Chris Zimmerman) – Still waiting to hear from BSN sports about replacing the nets with push button ones (allows for repeated and quick take down of nets for storage). Another flyer will be sent out to the schools. The new Director should go to Oxford and Mansfield schools to promote the program. Chris has seen satin jackets from other towns with the team name and the Devil's emblem. Can they be ordered/put on the AllSports/ Boro Bears site? Chris will send a reminder to Vic who will ask Armin.
- Youth Basketball (Tom Iadevaia/Terry Thomas) – Tom has not been in touch with James Sawyer. Terry said Franklin Township has opened their facilities for practice. We have 96 children and 11 teams. Sean will take over Tom's position as Youth Basketball liaison/commissioner. Vic will send him James' contact info.
- Li'l Hoopsters – (Terry Thomas) – There are 39 kids, 6 coaches and 2 sponsors. Mr. Music is supposed to send a check by Friday. Vic reminded Terry that AllSports needs a 10 day lead time for the T-shirts.
- Youth Baseball – (Tom Iadevaia) – Registration is supposed to start in December
- Girls Softball – (Tom Iadevaia) – the first meeting will be in January.
- Men's Softball – Adam Zimmer) – Adam will have an Assistant League Commissioner. They will advertise in January. The first meeting will be in February.

Executive Session

- Vic moved to go into Executive Session to discuss applicants for the position of Recreation Director. Seconded by Terry. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 2. Motion carried
- Vic moved to close the Executive Session. Seconded by Terry. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 2 Motion carried.

Adjournment

- Vic moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 pm. Seconded by Terry Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Adjourn **9:00 PM**