

Borough of Washington, Warren County, New Jersey
Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes
October 23, 2019 - 7:00 PM

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

Opening 7:13 p.m.

Statement of Adequate Notice

- Dan Almind 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.”

Flag Salute

Roll Call

- Present: Dan Almind, Craig Coughlan, Craig Geller, and Spencer Nicholson. Also present: Susan Turner, Recreation Secretary

Minutes of Prior meeting:

- Craig Coughlan moved to approve the minutes from the October 9, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Spencer Nicholson. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 2. Motion passed.

New Business:

- No new business.

Old Business:

- Budget – to be discussed at next meeting.

Reports:

- Recreation Secretary – Susan Turner said the light in the Grandstand Men’s bathroom has been repaired.
- Susan said Matt Hall met with members of Oxford Youth Association who are interested in a skate park. Location, logistics, liability and other items were discussed. Matt will talk with other towns with skateparks for their feedback.
- The Oxford Youth Association also runs a Ski & Snowboard club and asked if we can share their flier on our Facebook page.
- Susan had a parent submit financial information and request a financial hardship waiver for the Youth Basketball registration fee. The family qualifies for all federal low income programs. Craig Geller moved to waive the Youth Basketball registration fee based on financial hardship. Seconded by Spencer Nicholson. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 2. Motion passed.
- A long term softball coach and her husband requested a letter of reference from the Recreation Commission to Habitat for Humanity, to which they applied for a house. Commissioners will send information to Susan who will write up the letter.

Sports Programs

- Easter Egg Hunt — (all commissioners) – No report
- 5k – (commission) – Dan Almind spoke with Police Chief Ciccerelli who said we will have several officers at our disposal on race day. Neither Jackson Valley or Kinnaman will be closed but runners can use the shoulder. Susan is meeting with Terri and the volunteers from Project Graduation next Wednesday. Susan said road closure notices must be delivered to residents this weekend. We may be able to get some Project Graduation volunteers to help with that. Terri Laffan joined the meeting and suggested offering a \$25 student fee for Warren Hills students. She feels this would attract student race day runners. Craig Geller moved to include a \$25 student 5K registration fee with current, valid Warren Hills High School ID. Seconded by Spencer Nicholson. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 2. Motion passed. Susan will send updated information to Christine for Facebook. Terri will send out the information on the school’s social media.
- Youth Soccer – () – No report.
- Street Hockey – (Spencer Nicholson) – New goals are needed. Spencer sent out an email to last year’s coaches for information on goals and he located a set for just above \$200. Unfortunately, several of the people said they would not be returning as Hockey coaches. Susan will open registration and send last year’s flier to Spencer to review.

- Youth Basketball – (Sean Farrington) – Susan Turner has received scorebooks. Pumps and needles have been ordered. She will talk with Bill Lyons about balls or other equipment to be ordered.
- Lil’ Hoopsters – (Craig Geller) –No report.
- Girls Softball – (Craig Coughlan) – No report
- Karate – (Sean Farrington) – No report.
- Swim Lessons (Dan Almind) – No report.
- Pool – (Craig Coughlan) – No report.
- Tennis Clinic – () – No report.
- Zumba – No report

Communications:

- No Communications.

Social Media

- No report.

Commission Calendar

- No report

Executive Session (If Necessary)

- No Executive Session.

Recap

- No Recap requested.

Commissioner and Director Comments

- No comments

Adjournment

- Craig Coughlan moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm. Seconded by Craig Geller. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0, Abstain: 0
Absent: 2. Motion passed. Adjourn **8:15 PM**