

The November 14, 2019 Board of Recreation meeting was called to order by President Mickey Pascucci at 7:30pm.

Present

President M. Pascucci
V. President O. Dittamo
D. Alvino
G. DiPasquale
N. Ricca
J. Mancinelli
T. Mele
M. Monteyne

Absent

Debbie Andriani
Dan Palazzo

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Oliver Dittamo made a motion to accept the previous minutes and Donna Alvino seconded it.

Council Liaison

In Debbie Andriani's absence, she sent word to Mickey Pascucci and he reported that the Mayor and Council gave a huge thank you for the Trunk or Treat. Also reminded all about the Tree Lighting on Friday, December 6, 2019.

Correspondence

Mark Monteyne reported that he has been receiving messages with questions concerning the Turkey Trot 5K.

Financial

The balance is \$56,487.47 - open invoices

Citizens to be Heard

Kristen Karam attended the meeting.

Personnel

Nothing to report

Pool

Eagle Scout, Erik Martin who is a senior at Passaic Valley built an all year-round ping pong table and donated it to the pool. Mark Monteyne said he did an amazing job. A thank you letter will be sent to Erik from the board.

Field and Grounds

The lock on the tennis court has been stolen again. There is a light on the gate but not as much on the courts. The courts need to be locked for the winter. Mark did speak to Jim Niland, DPW, to keep up with the plugs for the bases on the fields.

Permits

None

Old Business

Trunk or Treat was a huge success!!!! Next year we will leave the center of the lot open to make it easier to get around. We will change the time to 7pm-8pm. We ended up giving out 3 prizes. Next year if possible, we will use the same lot. Municipal Alliance, John Waryas, paid for the DJ from the alliance funds.

The hayride went on but the parents who paid went up on their own at the discounted price.

New Business

Turkey Trot- rain or shine. \$25,000 has been collected in donations so far. Oliver Dittamo suggested for next year instead of giving all the donations to the library, possibly give it out to other organizations-possibly first responders. Each year rotate who gets the donations. Maps were given out and the plan for the routes and all the people involved that day were discussed.

Tom Mele was contacted by Mt. Creek for snow tubing. We could run a trip at a discounted price. If we don't fill the bus, then the people signed up could drive up on their own. Possibly planning the trip for February.

Preakness Golf Course-Preakness Ice Rink-planning to open on or about December 6th. It will be open to the public. Possibly the board giving out hot chocolate, etc. up at the rink.

Tree Lighting will be held on Friday, December 6th. We will serve cookies and hot chocolate afterwards courtesy of the Mayor and Council.

New Banner- Mark is looking into ordering a new Board of Recreation banner. George DiPasquale made the motion to purchase a new one and Oliver Dittamo seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

PAL

Tom Mele reported that at the last meeting, they voted on the rules. They stated they loved the Trunk or Treat. Football had a great season. Hockey and Basketball are both starting up along with tryouts for a traveling baseball team.

Report from the Directors

Appreciative of all the teamwork from everyone.

Motion to adjourn was made by George DiPasquale and seconded by Nancy Ricca at 8:50pm.

The next meeting will be held on **December 12, 2019** at 7:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Barone
Secretary, Board of Recreation