

The September 8, 2016 Board of Recreation meeting was called to order by President Kevin Barnes at 7:30pm.

Present

President K. Barnes
V. President O. Dittamo
D. Alvino
T. Mele
M. Pascucci
N. Ricca
J. Mancinelli
D. Andrianni

Absent

D. Palazzo

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted by Oliver Dittamo and seconded by Donna Alvino.

Council Liason

Debbie Andrianni stated that the lifeguards that saved a man's life were honored by the Mayor and Council. Also honored was the sixth grader who won the tv show "Chop" food contest. The tennis courts are coming, all monies have been set. They are set to break ground. Four police officers have been promoted-George DePasquale, Joe Tomasello, Brian Mulrooney, and Carmen Veneziano. Mayor and Council have received many complaints regarding the dogs and bicycles on the walking path.

Debbie stated to all the Republican Picnic is being held on Sunday, September 11, 2016.

Correspondence

None

Financial

The balance in the account is \$36,546.09. No open invoices.

Citizens to be Heard

Donald Cerrone attended the meeting to question why can't Totowa do summer concerts like other towns? He mentioned some bands that he could get prices for if interested. He recommended "Park Avenue", Gerard Esposito, Bobby D., and Benny Rosa. He will get back to John with information.

Personnel

None

Fields and Grounds

Tom handed in his report. The slide at Bogert is still broken. At Kennedy field, the fence has been pryed open where a lock had been. An email has been received from a resident near the Bogert Street park stating the need to redo the equipment. Debbie Andrianni stated that we applied for a grant for new equipment for the park.

Mickey stated Minnisink looks great, the clubhouse was fixed. The football field at PAL looks terrible and is in bad shape.

A group met regarding redoing Kennedy to change from a 50 to a 70. It can't be done- would have to go out too far and cut into the soccer field. The thought was to revamp Lincoln 90 to

accommodate the older teams but that didn't work out. As of yet, no team signed up. The same interested group has planned to go to a Board of Education meeting to request to revamp Washington Park School's field. No information has been received if they have gone to a meeting.

Next month's meeting, we will reschedule the fields- who is assigned to report on what field.

Permits

None were requested. Football and soccer have their permits for the fall. We need to keep a grasp on recreation and continue to support the PAL programs.

Pool

Pam reported that the pool has been closed, drained. Approximately \$41,800 was raised from registration; 7,750 from the gate; 3,800 from the snack shack. A total of \$53,000 was brought in this summer season.

Labor Day activities took place-the pool was packed. Fish were put in for the children to catch, many families had BBQ. There were a great group of guards this season. Many played chess with the seniors and also played games with the children. There were plenty of high school guards this summer and the managers would like to return next summer.

Old Business

The country band that Nancy Ricca got for the Food Truck Festival were very good, played longer than hired to.

New Business

Cruises on Lake Hopatcong-Oliver stated that the cost would be \$55. There are different dates for different events. John will look into it.

April Fool's Dance-4/1/17-Donna will call the Meatcutter's Hall. We will try to book the hall and the Flying Mueller Brothers. Food will be catered by the Brownstone.

Dr. Grzmolowits is running a Breast Cancer Walk on Sunday, October 2 from 8:30am – 12:00pm. They will be walking 4 laps around the track. Kevin stated that he was told that Mayor Coiro approved the use of the grounds.

Programs

Tom would like to do a hayride, will look into something closer. Possibly we could get discount tickets and meet at the hayride in Montville. .

PAL

PS&G will be putting lights in the parking lot. The camp cleaned up very nicely after this summer's season.

Report from the Director

John stated how pleased he was with this summer's camp program and the pool season. Looking forward to a great year.

The motion to adjourn was made by Oliver Dittamo and seconded by Mickey Pascucci at 9:20pm.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on Thursday, October 13, 2016 at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Barone

Secretary, Board of Recreation