

Warren Township Recreation Commission
Minutes of March 5, 2014 Meeting

The meeting of the Warren Township Recreation Commission convened at 7:15 pm on Wednesday, March 5, 2014, at the Warren Township Library, 42 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, NJ.

In attendance were Michael Angelini, David Cole, Irene Ferguson-DiPietro, Joe Filo, Mary Ellen Florey, Dave Pasi, Cynthia Webster, Recreation Director Eleanora Hermann, and Township Liaison Carolann Garafola.
Absent: Gary Miller.

Open Public Meeting Statement - Adequate notice of this meeting was given by posting a copy on the Township Bulletin Board and sending a copy to the Township Clerk, Courier News, and Echoes Sentinel as required by the Open Public Meeting Act.

Flag Salute

Irene DiPietro motioned to approve the meeting minutes from January 9, 2014, and Michael Angelini 2nd, with all others in favor.

CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS

Volunteer of the year nominations - Presentations April 3, TC meeting – Reviewed criteria and discussed the proposed nominations for the 2013 volunteers of the year. All members were in favor of the nominations.
Sign up to assist at - Easter Egg Hunt Wagon Bike Parade & Fishing Derby events.
5 year plan – discussed ideas to be added to the 5 year plan. Commission members were asked to consider options for the 5 year plan and be prepared to discuss at the April meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer Report- Dave Pasi

Trust Starting balance Jan.1, 2013- \$71,449.52

Trust balance YTD: As of Dec 31, 2013 - \$63,011.48

Donations YTD = as of Mar 14 – \$5,265 (bonfire and egg hunt)

Concessions YTD = as of Mar 14 - \$225

Trust Expenditures: As of Mar 14 - \$2,343.53

O/E – \$15,000 (half of budget) YTD Expended as of Mar 14 – \$706.96 (4.71%)

General Fund Deposit – YTD as of Nov. 1 = (Field & pavilion usage fees) \$9,025

Rec/Sport Liaison- Dave Pasi – Rutgers Safety Clinic 3/6/14. Sports Forum 2/25/14 – Reps from each sport spoke about policies, back ground check, & stressed the necessity to use same company for background checks.

Strategic Plan and Initiative Implementation – Chair: Gary Miller; Dave Pasi

By-Laws, Policy & Procedure Committee – Chair: Mary Ellen Florey; Irene DiPietro

Park/Passive Recreation – Chair: Joe Filo (trails); Dave Pasi (parks)

Community/Cultural Affairs – Chair: Irene DiPietro; Mike Angelini; Joe Filo – “So You Think You Can Sing” summer event, reviewed & revised age category groups, selected judges, (1) pick performers from auditions & (2) finalists.

Public Relations/Marketing – Chair: Michael Angelini; Cynthia Webster

Fundraising – Chair: Cynthia Webster; Michael Angelini

Personnel – Chair: Dave Cole; Gary Miller

Directors Report

Just completed:

- Sport Forum
- Yuletide Bonfire
- High School Intramural Basketball – 187 registered – 20 went to Watchung Recreation program
Next year we can handle 200.
- World Tennis Celebration Day at Central school

Now running:

- Men's Basketball
- Coed Volleyball
- Tennis spring registrations open

Projects in the works:

- Walking path adding 6 benches, spring DPW will install
- Teen mural at tennis courts (waiting for okay) rescheduled for spring by Isabel Kim
- New weekly newsletter – Constant contact
- Planning Easter Egg Hunt and Wagon Bike Parade
- Summer camps/movies/concerts
- Sports compliance on going
- Website – giving info to new designer
- Working w Kid Kind who is running a 5k at municipal grounds

Coming up:

- Rutgers Clinic – March 6 - Dave C and Dave P are the instructors.
- Tennis Lessons – March 31
- Egg Hunt April 12 –commissioner's signed up 11am-3:30pm
- Volunteer of the year award presentations April 3 TC Meeting

ADDITIONAL ITEMS DISCUSSED:

Summer camp will use Elks facility in addition to municipal grounds (fees apply). Camp is open to all Warren residents, space provided, Green Brook & Watchung residents may sign up.

Spring athletic field use date is to be determined due to ice/snow & winter weather conditions by DPW

Cruising with the Oldies Concert added to schedule (music, cars). Date June 4 Free admission.

ADJOURNMENT 8:20 PM next meeting, Wednesday, April 2, 7 pm - Warren Library

Carolyn Scannelli - Minutes Secretary