

Warren Township Recreation Commission
Minutes of January 9, 2013 Meeting

The meeting of the Warren Township Recreation Commission convened at 7:05 pm on Wednesday, January 9, 2013, at the Warren Township Library, 42 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, NJ.

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

Statement by Eleanor Hermann, Recreation Director

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

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Introduction of new commission members Michael Angelini and Joe Filo. Recreation members introduced themselves and spoke briefly about their interests and background.

Eleanor Hermann, Recreation Director asked for a nomination for Chairperson. Mary Ellen Florey nominated Gary Miller as Chairperson, 2nd by Dave Pasi, with all in favor. Eleanor Hermann asked for a nomination of Vice Chair, Mary Ellen Florey nominated Dave Cole, 2nd by Dave Pasi, with all in favor. Dave Pasi nominated Irene Ferguson-DiPietro as Secretary, 2nd by Dave Cole, with all in favor. Dave Pasi nominated Cynthia Webster as Treasurer, 2nd by Irene Ferguson-DiPietro, with all in favor.

CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS

2012 Assignment of new committee appointments – see below

2013 meeting schedule, approved at the November 20, 2012 meeting was reviewed.

Volunteer of the year nominations: Vote at February meeting, presentation at the March 14th TC meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer Report - Chair: Cynthia Webster; Mark Claxton

Trust Starting balance Jan. 2013-

Trust balance YTD: As of Dec. 19 - \$70,999.21

Donations YTD = as of Dec. 19 - \$1,473

Trust Expenditures: As of Dec. 19, 2012 - \$70,999.21 (includes \$29,233.06 summer salaries)

O/E – \$11,000 - ½ budget YTD Expended as of Jan. 1 – nothing spent

General Fund Deposit – YTD as of Jan. 1 = 0 (Field & pavilion usage fees)

Rec/Sport – Liaisons - Dave Cole & Dave Pasi

Strategic Plan and Initiative Implementation – Chair: Dave Cole; Mary Ellen Florey; Dave Pasi

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

Park/Passive Recreation – Chair: Joe Filo; Dave Cole; Dave Pasi

Community/Cultural Affairs – Chair: Irene DiPietro; Dave Pasi, Mark Claxton

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

Fundraising – Chair: Mark Claxton, Michael Angelini

Personnel – Chair: Dave Cole, Cynthia Webster

Directors Report

Just completed:

- Letters to Santa – Dec.14, 289 letters were hand written and mailed; 35 volunteers.
- Newsletter info for Showcase and Watchung/Warren Connection
- Putting out all posters for 2 events

Now running:

- Men's Basketball
- Coed Volleyball
- HS Rec Intramural Basketball – 140 registered-28 on waiting list. Started Dec.4

Projects in the works –

- ADA walking path Phase I and II
- Renovating Tennis courts (already approved 2012)
- Teen mural at tennis courts
- Spring and Summer events

Coming up:

- Yuletide Bonfire Winter Festival Jan. 19 snow date 26th
- Feb. 1 free concert – Barbara Harris & the Toys w/ Bob Marino/Barbra Lawson at WHRHS 8pm
- Money donated the night of the event will support the Valerie Fund

NOTE:

- **Need to set up a meeting with the Strategic Planning committee for 5 yr plan**
- **Need helpers to run Bonfire Winter Festival and greeter's for Feb. 1 concert**

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION: Rec Director will email commission members the 5 year plan, by-laws & meeting schedule. The Rec Director will research and submit a purchase request for a turf field cover for Duderstadt field. This purchase is necessary for maintaining field protection. Future consideration into the purchase of additional field covers for the library field and East County Reserve field. The Recreation Director will proposed a collaboration of recreation programs and activities with the following Somerset County neighboring towns of Watching, Green Brook and Basking Ridge.

ADJOURNMENT 7:55 PM next meeting, Wednesday, February 6th, 7 pm - Warren Library

Carolyn Scannelli - Minutes Secretary