

Warren Township Recreation Commission
Minutes of July 3, 2013 Meeting

The meeting of the Warren Township Recreation Commission convened at 7:04 pm on Wednesday, July 3, 2013, at the Warren Township Library, 42 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, NJ.

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

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 Ferguson-DiPietro motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes from June 5, 2013 and the special meeting from June 12, 2013, (with a change in the roll call), and Gary Miller 2nd, with all others in favor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer Report - Chair: Cynthia Webster

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

Trust balance YTD: As of May 16 - **\$79,317.08**

Donations YTD = as of April 26 – \$2,450

Trust Expenditures: As of April 26, 2013 - **\$39,404.18**

O/E – \$23,600 - ½ budget **YTD Expended** as of May 13 – \$11,776.21

General Fund Deposit – YTD as of May 31 = (Field & pavilion usage fees) \$1,900

Rec/Sport – Liaisons - Dave Cole & Dave Pasi – Mr. Pasi commented on a developing change being made within Soccer/Lacrosse and Pop Warner Associations regarding joining expenses for field maintenance. Also, the necessity of a shared maintenance fee for all who use Duderstadt and Pop Warner fields, which some progress has been made.

There has been interest by an outside individual considering starting a little league program.

Rutgers safety course and fingerprinting July 22, at the township library.

Strategic Plan and Initiative Implementation – Chair: Dave Cole; Dave Pasi – work in progress.

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

Park/Passive Recreation – Co-Chairs: Joe Filo (trails); Dave Pasi (parks) – Joe Nappi is interesting in establishing a program based on teaching teens fishing skills. The program would be run by trained volunteers. Gary Miller suggested reaching out to the Warren Youth Commission for combined efforts. Gary suggested adding canoe & kayak lessons. Additionally, Dealaman's Pond at some point should be dredged.

Community/Cultural Affairs – Chair: Irene DiPietro; Michael Angelini, Joe Filo – Irene suggested and will discuss with CCA members planning a "Warren Township Food Tasting" community event.

Public Relations/Marketing – Chair: Cynthia Webster, Michael Angelini – A website has been established to purchase tickets for the July 19th Rock, Doo-Wop Concert, flyers posted, advertisements established.

Doo Wop & Car Cruise – distribute 1000 fliers, sold 260 tickets, gave away 100 to 3 radio stations.

Fundraising – Chair: Michael Angelina (sold tickets n put out fliers); Joe Filo

Personnel – Chair: Dave Cole, Cynthia Webster

Directors Report

Just completed:

- Men's Basketball
- Coed Volleyball
- Tennis session #2
- Nostalgia Concert

Now running:

- June Tennis Camp
- Concerts

Projects in the works –

ADA walking path Phase I and II-(starting Aug. 12)

Renovating Tennis courts contracted for start date July 8-Sept

Teen mural at tennis courts – wall needs to be fixed before start of mural

Doo Wop & Car Cruise – we put out 1000 fliers- 260 tickets sold, gave 100 away to 3 radio stations – **need 8 volunteers**

Camp registrations ongoing

Watchung and Green Brook cooperation complete for all activities

Discount tickets for parks sold in office

New weekly newsletter going well (please give me your comments good or bad)

Rutgers Coaches SAFETY Clinic set for July 22., 7-10 pm.

Coming up:

- Rescheduled to Aug. 2 – 6pm - Music Under the Stars (Michael Craig Band) 7:30-9
- July 1- Playground Program and Teen Travel Camp begins
- July 10 Kids Concert Simple Gifts
- July 22 - Volunteers from Goldman Sachs will be cleaning playground, pavilion and picnic tables

NOTE:

- **Need to set up a meeting with the Strategic Planning committee for 5 yr plan**
- **Senior Picnic Wednesday, September 11th.**

ADDITIONAL ITEMS DISCUSSED: Recreation department is considering purchasing into a data base program which would store information on coaches, as there data base is getting too large to handle.

Committeewoman Garafola spoke regarding the new development of a township business type association that is in the beginning stages of forming. Next meeting September 20, 7:30 – 9 am, Mt. Bethel Village.

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

Carolyn Scannelli - Minutes Secretary