

Warren Township Recreation Commission
Minutes of November 6, 2013 Meeting

The meeting of the Warren Township Recreation Commission convened at 7:07 pm on Wednesday, November 6, 2013, at the Warren Township Library, 42 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, NJ.

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

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

Gary Miller motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes from October 2, 2013, and Irene DiPietro 2nd, with all others in favor.

CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS

Commission members reviewed the 2014 Recreation Budget items. Gary Miller motioned to accept the 2014 budget and Irene DiPietro 2nd with all in favor. Additionally, a few items from the 2013 budget still need to be purchased.

Commission Members discussed the meeting schedule and agreed that it is not necessary to have a meeting every month. They decided that 9 meetings per year are sufficient. No meetings will be held in February, July and December, starting with December 2013. Next meeting will be the re-org meeting on Wednesday, January 8, 2014.

Bonfire discussion (January 18th (raindate 1/25) 6-8:30 pm) – letters went out for donations and sponsorship towards the bonfire. Reviewed duties, activities, games, preparations. New for this year is a fireworks display and a flash mob performance. Practice for the flash mob performance will be January 15, Central School from 3:30-6. Next bonfire meeting December 16, 7 pm. To volunteer for the Letters to Santa <http://wtrec.lvollunteer.com/wtrec> A new link for the Bonfire event will be announced next week.

Reviewed an updated 5 year plan prepared by Gary Miller which consisted of many updated items throughout the township including a turkey trot, 70's concert with a celebrity, establishing a field hockey league, canoeing, Glenhurst bird watching tower, addressing Dealaman's pond just to name a few.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer Report - Chair: Cynthia Webster

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

Trust balance YTD: As of Nov. 1 - \$85,251.06

Donations YTD = as of Nov. 1 – 3,860

Concessions YTD= as of Nov. 1 - \$95

Trust Expenditures: As of Nov. 1, 2013 - \$76,414.11

O/E – \$29,674.85 - ½ budget YTD Expended as of Nov. 1 – \$22,787.39 (82.63%)

Rec/Sport – Liaison: Dave Pasi

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

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

Park/Passive Recreation – Co-Chairs: Joe Filo (trails); Dave Pasi (parks)

Community/Cultural Affairs – Chair: Irene DiPietro; Michael Angelini, Joe Filo

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

Fundraising – Chair: Michael Angelina; Joe Filo

Personnel – Chair: Dave Cole, Cynthia Webster

Directors Report

Just completed:

- Fall Tennis sessions
- Brite Nites – 9200 attendees
- High School Rec Intermural Basketball registration full – 170 have a waitlist – Watchung Recreation will help with gym space.

Now running:

- Men's Basketball
- Coed Volleyball

Projects in the works –

Walking path needs to add 6 benches.

Teen mural at tennis courts (waiting for okay) rescheduled for spring by Isabel Kim

New weekly newsletter – Constant contact

Bonfire planning – donations needed. There will be a fireworks display. Received donations from \$1,000 Chubb & The learning Experience \$850, with promise from Lions Club of \$750

Sports compliance

Budget/2014 schedules/capital/OE

Website

Coming up:

- Letters to Santa starts Nov.
- Bonfire meeting Nov. 4th 7pm on 2nd floor municipal building. Second meeting Dec. 16, 7pm court room.

DISCUSSION: The Commission decided to adopt sports recognition, facility field use and code of conduct policies effective for January 1, 2014. Gary Miller motioned to adopt the above noted policies and Dave Cole 2nd with all in favor.

Township Committee Recreation Liaison Mick Marion spoke regarding a meeting he and Mayor Sordillo had with Mr. Parker Shannon regarding Mr. Shannon's idea of creating a little league program in the Township. Mr. Marion invited Mr. Parker to tonight's Recreation Commission meeting to address his bullet point items regarding little league. Mr. Parker did not show up at this evenings meeting.

ADJOURNMENT 9:00 PM Next meeting January 8, 2014, 7pm at Library

Carolyn Scannelli - Minutes Secretary