

**Warren Township Recreation Commission**  
**Minutes of June 5, 2017 Meeting**

The meeting of the Warren Township Recreation Commission convened at 7:20 pm on Wednesday, June 5, 2017, at the Springdale Conference Room, Warren Town Hall, and 46 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, New Jersey.

In attendance: Dave Cole, Linda Devine, Gina Rosenfarb, Norm Zurawski, Recreation Director Eleanora Murfitt and Township Liaison Mayor Carolann Garafola. Absent: Michael Angelini, William Bartnick, 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

Linda Devine motioned to approve the meeting minutes from May 1, 2017 and Norm Zurawski 2<sup>nd</sup>, with all others in favor.

**COMMISSION REPORTS**

**FINANCIAL REPORT-2017**

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| <b>Trust balance:</b> As of April 30                          | \$74,950.60                                   |
| <b>Trust Expenditures</b> as of May 24                        | \$32,837.49                                   |
| <b>O/E approved 2017 – \$27,340</b>                           |   |
| <b>O/E Budget Exp</b> as of May 24                            | \$12,640.75                                   |
| <b>Donations/scholarships</b> YTD:<br>bonfire)                | \$3,400 (previously some money was from 2016) |
| <b>General Fund Deposit</b> YTD (field & pavilion usage fees) | \$8,125                                       |

The outstanding field usage fee has been paid in full.

**COMMISSION REPORTS –**

**Trails:** Norm Zurawski met with a Girl Scout and Glenhurst Trails who is looking to do a project to attain her Gold Award. They spoke about projects for her to accomplish at Glenhurst. They discussed how to make the trails better, which included; updating the map, creating a trail brochure and mark trails. At this time, she did not commit to any projects. Norm did note that Glenhurst is in need of some maintenance such as the trash cans are overflowing and there are many high weeds. Eleanora mentioned she would talk to Norm and Joe about getting a meeting with the trail committee to get some trail maintenance done and have Norm be in charge of it since he has experience in trail building.

**CALENDAR DATES:**

- **Wednesday, June 28:** 50's Night with the Keynotes. Amanda and Samantha will be handling this event in the municipal courtyard. Looking for support volunteers and assistance with breakdown seating at the end of event. 7-9 pm. Rain date, Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup>. Dave Cole said he would help.

**DISCUSSION:**

Bike Lanes – The Mayor received a letter from a young resident inquiring about bike lanes. The Recreation Commission addressed the letter and had concerns with safety, county roads vs. township roads, width of roadways, funding. East County Park has shared trails for walk & biking and are looking to expand. After much discussion, the only place they felt was maybe possible was from the municipal complex to Watchung Circle.

Eleanora informed members of the summer camps current enrollments and waiting lists for each group.

Members discussed the dredging of Dealaman Pond. An aquatic analyst was completed and the report should be received soon. Members are hoping that the sediment can be used within the township.

Reviewed adopted 2017 budget.

Discussed the Teen Fest which will be held at Round Top – volunteers needed. Dave Cole volunteered, more volunteers are still needed. Also, Warren’s Got Talent. So far there are no sign ups. If no one signs up within the next 2 weeks, it will be cancelled. Information for both events will be sent out to the schools.

### **Directors Report**

#### ***Just completed:***

- Fishing Derby completed. 215 attendees, 40 volunteers, 4 paid staff, PBA donated \$1000 and hats, cub scout pack #182 donated popcorn - volunteered 6, Bait n Boat prize, Warren Blueridge Sportmen Club donated bags, food, desserts, prizes, loaner poles, fixed lines etc. volunteered 20 men. Eleanora thanked Carolann, Linda and Joe F for volunteering. Another thanks to Bruce Vitale for another great year of organizing his event.
- Summer staff and CIT hired

#### ***Now running:***

- Men’s basketball and coed volleyball until June
- Seated Yoga session #3 started May 11 on Thursdays – 30 attendees
- Tennis lessons #2 began May 8 – 78 attendees
- Weekly *newsletter*
- Camp registrations

#### ***Coming up:***

##### *Projects in the works –*

- Sports compliance on going – spring field usage next
- Planning for summer programs and events
- Girl Scout project
- Working on planning Summer camps and events
- Working on turf blanket replacement at ECP field
- Working on the pavilion area improvements
- Getting info to dredge Dealaman Pond (Aquatic Analysts completed probing in May, waiting for report)
- Keynotes concert June 28, 7-9 pm municipal courtyard

**ADJOURNMENT 8:25 PM** Next meeting August 7, 7 pm in the Springdale conference room.