

BOARD OF RECREATION COMMISSIONERS

December 1, 2016

Members present:

Rosemary Pendergast
Beth Sosidka
Nancy Smith
Ken Carberry

Mary Ann Shea
Jack Jeffries
Sean Rogan
Rob Muldowney

Visitors: Tim Cutarelli and Catherine Clendennen

Chairman Pendergast opened the meeting at 7:35 pm.

MINUTES

Motion by Ken Carberry, seconded by Jack Jeffries to accept the minutes of the October 20th, 2016.
Vote all ayes, motion carried.

CPS FIELD TRIPS

Sean Rogan outlined his thoughts about using the balance in donations from the Bonfire, and the movies at the Red Mill for a field trip for the 8th Grade Students to the Museum of Natural History at an approximate cost of \$1,200.00. The video "Living in Clinton" sponsors have pledged \$2,050 towards the idea of trips for CPS students. Discussion followed.

Ken Carberry questioned the legality of soliciting funds for the school. Jack Jefferies said the Recreation Commission is not a fund raiser for the school – not a good idea. Tim Cutarelli suggested that an endowment fund be set up. Beth felt that the options are great.

Other ideas suggested for the use of the funds – movie screen & projector for the Community Center, the trail around the soccer fields be maintained.

This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

BONFIRE

Sean said the Bonfire is scheduled for January 21st, 2017 at 6:00 pm. He is working on flyers for the event. Question was asked about hay bales – Sean said he was going to get them from Mendham on Route 31. Sean asked if the Commission was still willing to pay the \$750 for the horse and carriage – the response was a unanimous yes.

SANTA CLAUS VISITING NEIGHBORHOODS

Rosemary reported that the Fire Department is sponsoring Santa Claus Visiting Neighborhoods on December 13th and 14th.

SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

Tiffany will be invited to attend our January Meeting to discuss the 2017 Summer Recreation Program.

2017 BUDGET REQUEST

The members reviewed the 2016 Budget and noted that we have a balance of \$1,361.61. Discussion followed about the use of this balance. Rosemary suggested that we purchase new pop-up tents for use at the Town Picnic and the Bonfire. Rob Muldowney looked on line and found pop-up tents available from Uline at a cost of \$279 each. Ken Carberry made a motion, seconded by Rob Muldowney, to purchase 3 10x10 tents @ \$279 each from Uline. Vote all ayes, motion carried.

Ken Carberry made a motion, seconded by Mary Ann Shea to donate \$150.00 each to the Clinton Fire Department and the Clinton Rescue Squad in appreciation for standing by at the Bonfire, Town Picnic and Canoe Race. Vote all ayes, motion carried.

Sean will get quotes for a screen, projector and sound system for the Community Center and get the figure to Nancy for submission to the CFO by December 20th. This amount will be in addition to the \$2,500 in the 2016 Budget.

REQUESTS FOR THE COMMUNITY CENTER

The following requests were approved:

1. **Eleanor Langeveld – Senior Services -Tai Chi – Mondays, 8:45 to 10:15 am**
Yoga – Tuesdays, 10:45 am to 12:15 pm
Zumba Gold – Wednesdays, 10:45 am to 12:15 pm
2. **Eva Lesniak – Church of the Holy Spirit – “Good Dirt Day”, April 22, 2017 12 noon to 6 pm**

JACK JEFFRIES

Jack announced that this will be his last meeting with the Commission. He is resigning as of December 31, 2016. The members wished him well and stated that he will be missed as one of the most faithful members of the Commission. Jack said he had been on the Recreation Commission for about 15 - 17 years.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm. The Reorganization meeting will be held on January 19th, 2017 at 7:30 pm at the Clinton Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy E. Smith

Nancy E. Smith, Secretary