

BOARD OF RECREATION COMMISSIONERS

NOVEMBER 30, 2017

Members present:

Catherine Clendennon
Rosemary Pendergast
Ken Carberry
Brad Cohen

Megan Johnson
Sean Rogan
Nancy Smith

Chairman Pendergast opened the meeting at 7:30 pm

MINUTES

Ken made a motion, seconded by Sean Rogan, to accept the minutes of the October 19, 2017 meeting as received via email. Vote all ayes, motion carried.

SUMMER RECREATION

Tiffany reported that due to the construction at the school, they did not have use of the gym until the last day. She said the kids were fantastic and arts & crafts supplies were donated. Videos of the activities were posted throughout the day on Facebook and the parents expressed their appreciation.

Tiffany reviewed with the Commission the items on her wish list. Three of the activities were done this year – Free Fall Trampoline Park; Yellow Dog Paddle and the brunch downtown. More of the students participated in the brunch this year.

Tiffany said the movies did not accept a purchase order, it is now open to the public, and the movies are not current. The waterpark is fine for an extended day trip, however if it rains, the activity is cancelled.

The color run was not held this year, maybe next year. The babysitting was not done this year as there was not a sufficient response.

The bus costs are the highest expense and she has limited one bus to each trip. The charge is \$5.00 to cover the cost of the buses.

Sean commended Tiffany on the great job she does and said we are lucky to have you doing this. He noted that there were eight students from Glen Gardner that received financial aid, he asked how this was funded. Nancy replied that a voucher is sent to Glen Gardner for the costs and they send a check to reimburse the Commission.

Tiffany is hoping that next year the enrollment will increase to 100 – 110. She is planning to run a bicycle safety program with a police officer from the Town.

2018 BUDGET REQUEST

Brad is researching the projector, screen and accessories that were included in the 2017 Budget. Discussion was held on the fees for movies at Movie Night at the Mill and the Senior Luncheon. After discussion it was decided that we would ask for \$4,000 for 2018.

WINTERFEST/BONFIRE

Sean said that the Mayor is working on getting a waiver. Sean said that if he didn't hear from Mayor Kovach or Marty within the next two weeks, the Bonfire would be cancelled. If it is approved, Sean said this will be our 10th year of doing this activity at Hunts Mill and he would like to have a second set of horses and carriages and have St. Ann's Bagpipers. After discussion the Commission members agreed to his request.

FOOD TRUCK AT COMMUNITY CENTER

Ken will check with the Town as to whether this is a permitted use and will get a list of vendors.

REQUESTS FOR THE COMMUNITY CENTER

The following request was approved:

1. Clinton Conservancy Group/Green Team – Saturday, December 2nd, 2017, 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Gathering to say thank you to Volunteers

FIELD REQUESTS

No requests were received.

NEW BUSINESS

- Megan said she was going to research grants for playground equipment, especially for special needs children.
- Sean said he spoke with the GaGa Group about the possibility of having them at the Town Picnic.
- Sean commented on all the toys left at the Community Center and said it is an eye sore. He volunteered to pick them up and to throw out any broken ones.
- Erik from Base Camp said the ½ Marathon will be held on October 7th, 2018. In 2017, 550 registered – 95 have already signed up for the 2018. They are thinking about reversing the route – starting in Flemington and ending in Clinton.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm. The Reorganization Meeting will be held on Thursday, January 18th, 2018 at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy E. Smith

Nancy E. Smith, Secretary