

# COMMISSIONERS BOARD OF RECREATION

March 15, 2018

## Members Present:

Rosemary Pendergast	Meagan Johnson
Brad Cohen	Beth Sosidka
Catherine Clendennon	Sean Rogan
David Kelleher	Nancy Smith

Rosemary opened the meeting at 7:35 pm

## MINUTES

The minutes of the February 15<sup>th</sup> meeting were accepted as received. Nancy thanked Mary Ann Shea for taking the minutes of the last meeting.

## SENIOR LUNCHEON

Rosemary will request that a proclamation be presented to the Laskeys for their years of service in providing the meal for the Senior Luncheon.

Catherine said that her friend, Robert Hillyer, has agreed to cater the luncheon and they are working on the menu to bring the cost lower (more in line with last year's cost per person).

The luncheon will be held on Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018, at the Clinton Firehouse. A meet and greet will start at 12:30pm with punch, cheese, crackers and fruit. The luncheon will be served at 1:00pm. Nancy will write to ShopRite for a donation of ten (10) hanging baskets which will be used as centerpieces and then given away as door prizes. Fifteen (\$15.00) dollar gift cards will be purchased from Walmart and ShopRite to also be used as door prizes. Letters will go out around April 13, 2018 to known seniors in Town. A Notice will also be put out over the internet.

## TENNIS PROGRAM

Don Berkman has informed the Commission that he will no longer be organizing the Tennis Program. He indicated that John Amibile has volunteered to continue the program. John was in attendance and said he had worked under Don for the last two years and the program will continue as a four week program, two sessions of two weeks of lessons. The Commission members welcomed John and asked that he keep us informed on the progress of the program

## TOWN PICNIC

Rosemary said she is waiting to hear about the helicopter landing. Beth explained the history of the picnic and how it is now run by a sub-committee. Fireworks information – the sub-committee has selected Garden State. A tethered balloon is also being investigated. A request will be sent to the sub-committee for a list of activities and the cost of each.

## PURCHASING POLICY

Discussion was held on the purchasing issue. Rosemary commented that this hasn't been a problem in the past. Rich Phelan sent a letter stating that past practices have been in violation of the Local Public Contract Laws. Megan said that going forward, either Beth or she will sign the purchase orders. The

Commission should approve of any purchases the sub-committee plans to make. The Town has store charge cards for ShopRite and Walmart – enabling the subcommittee to utilize them rather than making purchases and then asking for reimbursement. The Town also has an account with Amazon. The members of the sub-committee should talk with CFO Kathy Olsen. She has the cards.

Rich also stated that the Recreation Commission should not be soliciting and/or accepting funds that are being donated to the local school. Donations of this sort should be made by the individual directly to the school and should not come through the Town’s accounts.

Nancy commented that she did not feel it is right to solicit funds from the Town’s professional firms as there is a “Pay to Play” state law.

**FOOD TRUCK**

Brad reported that there are not many in Hunterdon County. He asked if the Commission wanted to have a new event “Food Truck Festival” or just one vendor at the Community Center. Brad will investigate further.

**PERSONNEL POLICY**

Megan had copies of the Town of Clinton Personnel Policy for our two new members – David Kelleher and Jeremy Padmo. She explained to David where he had to sign. Jeremy was out of town.

**REQUESTS FOR COMMUNITY CENTER**

The following request was approved:

1. Caitlyn Herold – Basketball, Thursdays, 8:00 pm – 10:00 pm

**FIELD REQUEST FOR HUNTS MILL PARK**

The following request was approved:

1. South Ride Community Church – Men’s Softball, March 15<sup>th</sup> – July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Mondays and Thursdays, 5:30 pm to dark

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Girl Scout Troop will be holding a movie night at CPS on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, and they will be using our video equipment.
2. Movies at the Red Mill to be discussed at our next meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm. The next meeting will be held on April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:30 pm, at the Town of Clinton Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted,

*Nancy E. Smith*

Nancy E. Smith, Secretary

