

HAMBURG RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

July 18, 2017

OPEN MEETING / FLAG SALUTE

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, with regards to notices, the regularly scheduled meeting of the Hamburg Recreation Commission was called to order at 7:00 PM., July 18, 2017.

ROLL CALL

Present: Paula Marino, Chris Fitzpatrick, Joyce Oehler, Sam Villagomez, Suzette Villagomez
Absent: Tara Scrittore
Also Present: Kathy Garrett, Councilman Sena

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Paula Marino to approve the June 20, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes. All in favor. Sam Villagomez and Suzette Villagomez abstained. Tara Scrittore absent.

FINANCE

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report as prepared by Christine Licata showed a balance of \$13,381.88.

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Paula Marino to accept the Treasurer's Report as given. All members present in favor.

OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

Miners Baseball Game- July 1st

All members stated that this event was very successful, with approximately 140 tickets being sold. The kids attending were thrilled with the light swords and the fireworks were wonderful. The "pitchers" made it to home plate and the singers were terrific. It was a terrific evening.

Northern NJ Musicians – "Evening in the Park"

Paula said the evening went very well – it started slow but then around 6:30 – 6:45 pm the attendance picked up, with the final count being around 60 – 80 people, including kids. It was a relaxing night, the playground was in use, and people were enjoying the music. The musicians were wonderful and very personable. Suzette mentioned that perhaps a female vocalist would be nice if we were to do it next year. Since this was the first year, members would consider holding it again next year. Paula also mentioned that Hardyston had something going on at their field right down the road at the same time.

Hamburg Day – August 20th

Paula informed the members that a balloon person – The UnStoppable Mr. UnPoppable – Mark Ghia, who lives right in Hamburg. He will walk around making balloons sculptures for four (4) hours for \$500.00. Friendly's ice cream will be our ice cream vendor. A list of vendors was also included and there are a few new vendors. Paula said it would be nice to have a few more but at the same time said that the vendors are not what Hamburg Day is about. Everything else is in place for the day at this time.

Clinics

Chris said that July and August is his organizational time for the clinics. He is in the process of sending out his emails to everyone and hoping that he will have a lot of responses for the clinics.

Trunk or Treat

Members choose a date of October 29th for this event, starting at 1 pm at the rec fields. Councilman Sena mentioned there may be soccer games going on that day. Kathy will get in touch with Becky

at the Littell Center to advise her of a possible scheduling conflict. More will be discussed at the next meeting.

Breakfast with Santa

The date for the breakfast was decided upon as December 9th from 9 am – 11 am at the firehouse. Paula stressed how it would be on all members to attend and “chair” this event. Preliminary discussions about decorations, food, shopping and cooking took place with more being discussed at a future meeting.

Sussex County Day- September 17

Sam and Chris both said they will be attending this day at the fairgrounds. Joyce stated that Fire and EMS will not be attending as that is the weekend of the Firemen’s Convention. Sam and Suzette will look in the Oriental Trading book for a giveaway for that day. The money has already been approved.

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Paula Marino to open the meeting to the public. All in favor.

Crossroads Hamburg Church

The Pastor of the Crossroads Hamburg Church attended to speak with the board about doing activities for the youth in general, but he does not want to hold the same activities on the same day or conflict with our activities. He has been here for about 1 ½ years but has just started the youth program in the church within the last two weeks. He was also looking to possibly use the gym for basketball and Chris said he would introduce him to Mr. Jinks at the school. Joyce suggested a volleyball game – Fire / EMS vs. kids. The Pastor was also advised about the tennis courts in front of Accurate Forming that he was able to use. He was not aware these belonged to the town. Paula did say she would be glad to post their events on the Rec Facebook page and he will email her directly.

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Paula Marino to close to the public. All in favor.

Tennis nets

Paula mentioned the net on one of the tennis courts needed to be replaced and Councilman Sena stated that it was not going to be replaced since it was being used for activities other than what it was intended.

Skylands Ice World

Kathy received a call from Skylands about their upcoming programs “Learn to Skate” and “Learn to Play Hockey” which will be starting in September. Last year the Rec Commission helped to promote the programs and Skylands gave a percentage back to the Commission in the amount of \$120.00 for Hamburg kids’ participation. Members agree they are excellent programs to be involved with and will help promote the programs again this year.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Sam Villagomez to adjourn at 7:48 pm. All in favor.

Minutes Approved 9/19/17

Date Released 9/19/17

Kathy Garrett
Secretary