HAMBURG RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

September 19, 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., September 19, 2017.

ROLL CALL

Present: Paula Marino, Chris Fitzpatrick, Joyce Oehler, Sam Villagomez, Tara Scrittore

Absent: Suzette Villagomez, Councilman Sena

Also Present: Kathy Garrett

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Sam Villagomez to approve the July 18, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes. All in favor. Tara Scrittore abstained.

FINANCE

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report as prepared by Christine Licata showed a balance of \$12,929.59. Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Sam Villagomez to accept the Treasurer's Report as given. All members present in favor.

Financial Spreadsheet

Members discuss the spreadsheet Christine prepared, outlining the functions of rec and what was spent for that function. A budgetary discussion took place as to the numbers for next years' requests. Kathy will redo the spreadsheet for next month's meeting for further discussion and presentation to the Council. Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Sam Villagomez to submit to the Council a budget of \$15,000.00 to run the Recreation Programs. All in favor.

OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

Hamburg Day - August 20th

Paula told members that she was sorry that she was unable to attend but she was receiving pictures throughout the day. She also thanked Suzette for being there to handle the vendors, for Sam and Chris's help also. The balloon person did an awesome job, the bubble man is always a hit, and everyone loves the music provided by Ray Sikora. The Fire Dept. cooked up 350 hot dogs. Joyce said that everything went well but felt that not as many attended as last year. Everyone feels that the timing of Hamburg Day is off as so many seem to take a last minute vacation before school starts. This event used to be combined with the Miss Hamburg Contests, so going back to a June date was discussed. But more members were in support of a September day, right after school started, saying this date may be better for all. The weather would still be nice out, and since it is a Sunday, it should not interfere with sports. More will definitely be discussed on the date.

Clinics

Chris said that there are seven (7) planned clinics for the Fall school year, with the 1st one, basketball, starting on Monday September 25th. So far there are 19 kids signed up for the clinic. He is looking forward to another successful year with the clinics, stating also that he will begin working on the Spring clinics in October / November.

Trunk or Treat - October 29th - 1 pm

Tara said she would chair the event again, but all agreed to attend and help out. Gift cards for best costumes will be given out -3 - \$10 gift cards from Walmart. Best decorated car will receive a \$30 gift card from

Mamma Mia's Pizza Place in Gov. Haines. Tara will pick up the gift cards, donuts, water, and juice boxes. Chris volunteered to make arrangements with Heaven Hill Farms for the 75 sugar pumpkins. At Hamburg Day, Councilman Sena discussed with Ray Sikora to provide spooky music for the event. After discussion, members decided that since so many people decorate their trunks with music, this would take away from them. Kathy will advise Ray of this change. Tara will bring music to play by the pavilion afterwards. Kathy did notify Becky Westra at the Littell Center to advise her when this event will be taking place so there will not be a scheduling conflict.

Breakfast with Santa- December 9th - 9 am - 11 am

This will be discussed in detail at the October meeting.

Sussex County Day- September 17

Sam and Chris both attended this event at the fairgrounds and they reported it was a successful event. They were the first table as the public walked in and drew a crowd. They gave away pencils, Frisbees, "Hamburg NJ" bags and said a lot of the items were almost gone within the first hour. There were quite a few other towns there also and both agreed it was a terrific day.

Skylands Ice World

Chris asked members if rec wanted to hold the ice skating event again at Skylands.

After a discussion, motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Sam Villagomez to hold an ice skating event on Sunday, February 18th from 2 pm - 4 pm at Skylands Ice World. All in favor. Chris will contact Skylands and schedule the date with them and find out about the cost of the tickets for the event.

Park Benches

Members discuss installing benches around the walking path at the rec fields. Kirby Built has a simple bench for \$469.85 each. Members discuss recommending to the Council to purchase 4-5.

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

No public in attendance

CORRESPONDENCE

Littell Monthly Report August

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Paula Marino to adjourn at 8:25 pm. All in favor.

Minutes Approved 10/17/17

Date Released 10/17/17

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Kathy Garrett Secretary