

RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES
Regular Meeting
July 15, 2014

The Recreation Advisory Committee held a regular meeting on July 15, 2014 at 7:10p.m. at the Municipal Building, 150 Kennedy Rd. Tranquility NJ 07879.

ROLL CALL: Jim DeYoung, Peg Phillips, Patty DeClesis, Brad Jones, Brenda Grasso, Gladys Golder, and Colleen McLean

Members present: Jim DeYoung, Gladys Golder, Patty DeClesis, Colleen McLean, Brad Jones, and Peg Phillips. Also present Christine Licata, Secretary. Members absent: Brenda Grasso.

MINUTES: Approval of Minutes of June 17, 2014.

Minutes of June 17, 2014: A motion to accept the minutes was made by P. DeClesis, second by J. DeYoung. Vote all Ayes, except for P. Phillips who abstained, motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussions

a. New Business

1. Colleen McLean email address

- C. Licata gave C. McLean her green twp. email address and directions to log on.

2. Half Year Budget Review

- C. Licata gave J. DeYoung the half year budget to review expenditures and balances. J. DeYoung will reach out to Kate Mull to obtain her expenses from Miss Green. P. Phillips handed in an expenses for the Easter Egg Hunt which would leave the Egg Hunt line over budget by \$32.00.

3. New Activities for 2015

- J. DeYoung asked the committee if they had any new ideas for 2015 to bring them to the September meeting so that they can be placed in the budget for 2015.

c. Unfinished Business

1. Action Alliance-Family Night

- Any suggestions for family fun night need to be presented by the August meeting if it's something that would like to be done in the fall. P. Phillips suggested a Fall BBQ. With the \$500.00 that would be received from Action Alliance, there is approx. \$1,200.00 left in the Entertainment budget.

d. Activity Update.

1. Summer Kick Off 2014

- Miss Green-was very successful. There were 3 contestants. Kate Mull did a great job pulling it all together. P. Phillips suggested that a time limit of 2 minutes be placed for reading the essays. J. DeYoung mentioned that Kate Mull can only organize 2 more Miss Green contest before her oldest daughter will be eligible to run.
- BBQ- was catered by Chef's and they did a very good job. The BBQ received positive feedback and pricing was fair.
- Kip & Mr. Microphone- Music was very good. Mr. Kip had some followers that came and participating in the singing.
- Sussex Rental was very accommodating when the committee had to reduce the amount of tents, tables and chairs for the BBQ.

2. Movie in the Park- July 25th

- All set for July 25th.
- B. Grasso volunteered to be the lead for the event since J. DeYoung will not be around. B. Grasso will make the call in the event of rain. If there is a 40% or greater chance of rain Fun Flicks will cancel the event. If the event is cancelled by 4:00pm a rain date is given.
- J. DeYoung will pick up the popcorn at Sussex Rental. The committee agreed that there will be no charge for the popcorn this year.

3. Summer Rec. – July 7-25th

- Currently underway. About 50 kids have registered. This number is down by 20 registrations.

4. Green Township Day- Sept. 20th

- P. Phillips will contact the Boy Scouts in regards to the opening ceremony and the Girl Scouts for the games.
- Western Hills will coordinate the Home Run Derby. This event will be incorporated into the games and participates will receive a ticket for a prize if they hit the ball.
- P. DeClesis asked if any prizes were left from last year and will put together the Oriental Trading Order for additional prizes needed.
- Janice Ferguson will coordinate the vendor tables. C. Licata reached out to Janice for an updated form so it can be posted on the website.
- J. DeYoung reached out to Vinnie Camessa, Fire Police and he will be available for backup in case parking becomes an issue.
- J. DeYoung spoke to Lou Caruso to officially invite the Rescue Squad to GTD. Jim will also reach out the Fire Dept.
- C. Licata will reach out the Town Committees to see if they want space under the information tent.
- C. McLean will reach out to the Herald to let them know about GTD.
- Details of GTD will be wrapped up at the next meeting.

4. Fall/Winter Activities

- J. DeYoung asked the committee to look at the fall/winter activities to see if there are any that should be cancelled due to poor turnout over the last few years. J. DeYoung suggestion was the Holiday Home Decorating Contest and the Ho Ho Hotline. P. Phillips agreed with Jim. P. Phillips also commented that if there is enough feedback that the event was missed, it can always be added back in 2015. The committee will decide at the next meeting.
- P. Phillips agreed to run the Gingerbread contest again this year. Peg will look into changing categories and adding an honorable mention award.
- The Halloween parade is from 2-4 on October 26th. There is left over supplies form last year. J. DeYoung will work with Larry to get the pumpkins. C. McLean suggested a trunk or treat. B. Jones and C. McLean will finalize details for the next meeting.
- The fall yard sale will be held on October 4th with a rain-date of October 5th.
- The Tree Lighting will run the same as in the past. J. DeYoung mentioned that B. Grasso would like to do a family ornament which could be hung on the tree. C. McLean mention incorporated the Newton High School Chorus to help with the carols. P. DeClesis will reach out to the Music teacher to see if there is an interest.
- The committee had a discussion on having a bon fire in the middle of the softball field during the tree lighting or Halloween parade. The discussion moved toward having a permanent fire pit. J. DeYoung commented that it would have to be brought up the Township Committee.

g. Matters from the Recreation Committee

- P. DeClesis asked if it was confirmed that the Home Decorating Contest was cancelled. J. DeYoung asked that the committee to think about it and the decision would be made at the August meeting.
- The committee had a discussion regarding a community calendar. J. DeYoung will discuss with L. Peralta in regards to community advertising in the Green Grapevine.

The next regular meeting will be held on August 19, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and a vote of all ayes, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine Licata
Secretary

Date approved