

**Emerson Recreation Commission Agenda for Thursday, February 7, 2013**

**7:30 PM Emerson Rec Commission**

- I Open Session**
- II Borough's Request for All Sports Coaches' information (re: background check list)**
- III CPR Update**
- IV Budget and Council Meeting Update**
- V Elizabeth Prashil Issue**
- VI Code of Conduct Procedure**
- VII Youth Conditioning Program**
- VIII Fields**
- IX Summer Concerts**
- X Sport-by-Sport Review**

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE EMERSON RECREATION COMMISSION WAS HELD ON FEBRUARY 7, 2013 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE RECREATION CENTER.**

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notification regarding the date, time and location of this meeting was submitted to the Bergen Record and Ridgewood News and posted in Borough Hall.

Members Present: Presiding Officer Dave Rector, Marty Porcello, Afrim Hoxha, Lenny Fabiano Peter Weiss, Paul Riker and Recreation Commission liaison Chris Knoller

Attendees: Borough Attorney Scott Mooney and Captain George Buono

Presiding Officer Dave Rector notified the Recreation Commission members that in case of a fire follow the Fire Exit signs above the doors and exit calmly.

The meeting of the Recreation Commission was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with a quorum in attendance.

I Open Session

Environmental Commission member Margaret Boyce will not be in attendance in Open Session to discuss the Environmental Fair.

II Borough's request for all sport coaches' information (background check list)

Presiding Officer Dave Rector reminded the Recreation Commission to ask their sports boards to submit the coaches' information before February 14. Soccer will have their updated list in March after registration.

III CPR Update

Announcement of the free CPR training course held on January 6 at the Ambulance Corps building was sent to all sports boards. Only four individuals registered and a second notice will be sent to the members.

IV Budget and Council Meeting Update

Presiding Officer Dave Rector noted that he attended the budget meeting and asked for more money for advertising and the fireworks event. He asked for money to cover each sports deficit and asked that wrestling receive a 5% increase.

V Elizabeth Praschil Issue

Previously, the Recreation Commission concluded that Elizabeth Praschil was entitled to \$25.00 refund, as her son did not receive his soccer uniform. Elizabeth has since received the uniform and is no longer entitled to \$25.00. The matter is now resolved.

VI Code of Conduct Procedure

Borough Attorney Scott Mooney and Captain George Buono discussed the Code of Conduct with the Recreation Commission members. The individual sports board hears the evidence against an individual who violated the Code of Conduct and makes a decision. If someone witnessed or photographed the incident, the Presiding Officer or sports board president could sign a complaint. If something occurs on the field, the police should be called and the individual would be removed immediately. If an umpire signs a complaint against a belligerent individual, the police will take the complaint and the case will be heard before the Municipal Judge.

VII Youth Conditioning Program

Afrim will contact a dietician and nutritionist to participate in the Youth Conditioning Program. Afrim asked his sport board members to contact high school students who may be interest in attending.

VIII Fields

The lightning detection system will be installed on the fields shortly. The joint participation between the Board of Education and borough should work out very well. Training will be addressed at a future meeting.

IX Summer Concerts

The Recreation Commission decided that the first summer concert be held on June 15 before the fireworks event. Peter Weiss discussed the portable stage showmobile, which would be obtained from the County.

X Sport-by-Sport Review

Wrestling – Since there are no meetings scheduled, there is nothing new to report.

Softball – Softball recently had tryouts for summer travel program. The softball president is presently looking into other towns to combine teams.

Football – The Recreation Commission strongly suggests that the concussion training program be a requirement for all sports. The program is mandated by the Board of Education, and an individual coaching on school property must take the free online course.

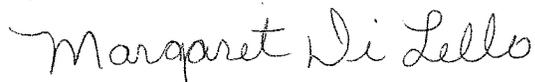
The Recreation Commission also discussed sports registration on line.

Soccer – The Recreation Commission will give soccer guidelines for tailgating.

Baseball – Presiding Officer asked the Recreation Commission members if they could attend baseball's Valentine's Day Dinner Dance tomorrow night.

Having no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Margaret Di Lello".

Margaret Di Lello  
Recreation Assistant