

Emerson Recreation Commission Agenda for Thursday, November 7, 2013

7:30 p.m. Emerson Recreation Commission

- I Open Session**
- II Recreation Commission member**
- III Communication**
- IV 2014 Municipal Budget**
- V Summer Recreation Directors**
- VI Code of Conduct**
- VII Recreation Concert Series**
- VIII Online Sports Registration**
- IX Sport-by-Sport Review**

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE EMERSON RECREATION COMMISSION WAS HELD ON NOVEMBER 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, Peter Weiss, Afrim Hoxha, Paul Riker
Lenny Fabiano and Dave Cannici

Absentee: Marty Porcello

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.

Presiding Officer Dave Rector welcomed Dave Cannici as a board member to the Recreation Commission. Dave was appointed by the Mayor on October 15, 2013.

I Open Session

Presiding Office Dave Rector notified the Recreation Commission members that no one will be in attendance for Open Session.

II Recreation Commission member

A Recreation Commission member experienced a few personal setbacks in recent months, and has been excused from attending meetings for the rest of the year. His intention is to continue being a Recreation Commission member until his term expires.

Presiding Officer Dave Rector suggested that the Recreation Commission recruit new members in the event that current members leave at the end of their term.

III Communication

Presiding Officer Dave Rector reiterated the issue of communication between the Recreation Commission liaison and sports boards regarding their activities being published in the newspapers. It was agreed by the members that there should be better communication with town organizations regarding activities that the Commission should be involved in.

IV 2014 Municipal Budget

The 2014 Recreation budget, presenting a five year plan, must be submitted to the finance department no later than December 2, 2013. The Recreation Commission discussed purchasing a grill that could be used for various sports and organizations. The 2014 municipal budget is under a 2% spending CAP. Presiding Officer Dave Rector noted that he will need to review the sports boards' budget one week before he submits it to the Chief Financial Officer.

V Summer Recreation Directors

The Recreation Commission would like the summer recreation directors present to discuss an anonymous letter from a parent regarding summer camp.

VI Code of Conduct

The Recreation Commission discussed Code of Conduct issues. If a coach is behaving badly, the sports board will evaluate the situation and take disciplinary action. The issue is forwarded to the Recreation Commission if the individual appeals. The Recreation liaison should inform the sports board that the Commission should be notified of all disciplinary actions.

VII Recreation Concert Series

The Recreation Commission's first concert was held at the fireworks event last year. Presiding Officer Dave Rector suggested that they do three concerts in 2014. Perhaps all the sports could have an Opening Day followed by a concert. Football, Soccer and Wrestling could have a table and distribute information on the sports programs. The Recreation Commission also discussed having a food truck for the event. Peter Weiss offered to do a presentation at the next meeting.

VIII Online Sports Registration

The soccer board is presently doing online sports registration. The process also helps organize teams and updates them from year to year.

Council liaison Chris Knoller spoke to the Recreation Commission members about sports boards not transmitting the registration fees and roster within forty-eight hours.

IX Sport-by-Sport Review

Baseball - The repairs have not begun on the dugout caused by the last storm. The Superintendent is in the process of obtaining quotations. Baseball registration will be held on November 9 and November 16.

Softball - The softball board purchased a new scoreboard and are presently obtaining bids for uniforms. The board is also setting up dates for registration the first week of December. They are currently working on a fundraiser.

Soccer – The lighting detection system ordinance was forwarded to the Soccer Board. The soccer board discussed the Code of Conduct ordinance.

Football - There is nothing new to report.

Wrestling – There is nothing new to report.

Having no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Margaret Di Lello
Recreation Assistant