

Emerson Recreation Commission Agenda for Thursday, June 19, 2014

7:30 PM Emerson Recreation Commission

I Open Session

II Fireworks

- Fundraising vs. Costs
- Sponsor Thank You Effort

III Summer Hoops

- Volunteer Located

IV Summer Rec

- Dave C. – Update to be read

V Recreation Commission

- New Member Recruitment

VI Sport-by-Sport Review

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE EMERSON RECREATION COMMISSION WAS HELD ON JUNE 19, 2014 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, Afrim Hoxha, Lenny Fabiano and Paul Riker and Recreation Commission liaison Chris Knoller

Absent: Dave Cannici, Peter Weiss, 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.

I Open Session

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

II Fireworks

- Fundraising vs. Costs

Presiding Officer Dave Rector reported that the Recreation Commission should have collected more money through fundraising than was spent. Baseball's donation should be received shortly.

Presiding Officer Dave Rector commented that there was a large turnout and the fireworks was becoming a huge event. The Recreation Commission noted that some of the fireworks and props did not work, which may have been caused by the cool weather. The band was at Hillman Field three hours earlier than expected and baseball was using the field. Presiding Officer Dave Rector suggested that perhaps next year baseball could have organized games on the field and serve hamburgers and hot dogs.

- Sponsor Thank you Effort

The vendors were recognized for their volunteerism on the PA system at the fireworks event. The Recreation Commission suggested that pictures of the sponsor's banners be posted on the borough website.

Presiding Officer Dave Rector expressed interest in attending the Mayor and Council July 1 meeting to thank individuals for participating in the fireworks event. Recreation Commission liaison Chris Knoller agreed that it should be put on the agenda.

III Summer Hoops

- Volunteer Located

Presiding Officer Dave Rector reiterated that George Mokrzecki showed interest in helping with Summer Hoops and will be contacted to ask if he would like to be in charge of the program.

IV Summer Recreation

Dave Cannici – Update to be read

Summer Recreation registration is over and brought in \$25,000.00 in fees, which is low in comparison to past years.

Presiding Officer Dave Rector reported that Dave Cannici has an individual who is interested in becoming a Commission member and will attend the September 4 meeting.

V Sport-by-Sport Review

Baseball – A Recreation Commission member reported that there was a Fourth Grade travel team playing Rutherford the Wednesday before the fireworks event. Allegedly, a parent said that he would pay the child \$25.00 for the shaven bat. The child gave him the bat and the police arrested the father. The parent claims that when the child brought him the bat, he left it in the press box. The bat is nowhere to be found. The Recreation Commission agrees that this is a police matter, and the members should be notified as to the outcome.

Softball – Softball season is over and had their end-of-the-year swim party. Softball won a championship by outscoring the other team 40 – 5.

Football – The football board would like to change to a lighter helmet for Pee Wee teams. Football is involved with the “Heads Up: Concussion in Youth Sports program.

Soccer - A soccer board member resigned because of business obligations. Soccer is involved with the concussion program.

Wrestling – There is nothing new to report on wrestling.

Fields – Friends of Baseball will have the fields sodded in August. The police are hosting a movie sleepover on August 23 and August 24 at Benkovic Field for the children. Peter Weiss will be leaving the Recreation Commission soon and joining the Parents for Athletes organization. Recreation Commission member Dave Cannici offered to be in charge of the fields.

Having no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Margaret Di Lello". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned centrally on the page, below the typed name.

Margaret Di Lello
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