

**Liberty Township Recreation Commission**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**February 13, 2007**

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 PM in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

**Roll call:** Present: Chairman Frank Iannone, Vice Chair Mike McGreevy, Mike Scudder, Amy Dieteman, Wayne Chaladoff Absent: Dan Oliver, John Crisp

**Minutes:** The minutes of December 6, 2006 were accepted on a motion by Ms. Dieteman, seconded by Mr. Iannone, with all in favor. The minutes of January 9, 2007 were accepted on a motion by Mr. Iannone, seconded by Mr. Scudder, all in favor.

**Public Discussion:** Leslie DeHerde of Hope Township came before the Commission with a written complaint against a Liberty basketball coach. Another parent, the assistant Hope coach, and the Hope Basketball Commissioner were also present. The complaint was heard and discussed. The Disciplinary subcommittee will meet with the accused coach and investigate the situation. They will inform Ms. DeHerde the outcome of that meeting. The situation with the Hope and Liberty 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls' teams was discussed, as well as referee control. A letter of complaint to the League concerning a Hope basketball coach's conduct was reviewed.

**Sports Commissioners' Reports:**

**Softball/baseball:** Ms. Dieteman made a motion to approve \$2,202 from Recreation Trust for uniforms, seconded by Mr. Iannone, all in favor. Ms. Dieteman made a motion to approve \$1,180 for League and umpire fees, seconded by Mr. Scudder, all in favor. The following team counts and numbers were announced: Senior: 13 players, coach Bob Pezzato

Major: 2 teams, 18 players, coaches Paul Garno, Steve Makarevich

National: 2 teams, 21 players, coaches Frank Iannone, Steve Buchanan

American: 3 teams, 35 players, coaches Chris Marquart, Al Crisafulli, Ed

Nilsson

T-ball: 3 teams, 24 players, no head coach, 6 assistants-Doyle, Sabo, Gulick, Newkirk, Justrander, Crowder

Mr. Scudder made a motion to approve the coach list, seconded by Mr. Chaladoff, all in favor with Mr. Iannone abstaining.

Mr. Pezzato reported on the League meeting- Back to Babe Ruth Rules, no play offs for American and T-ball, and a round robin single elimination tournament.

Pitching policy was discussed. Mr. Iannone made a motion that pitching no more than 4 innings/game, or 6/week, and if 4 innings are pitched, the pitcher must wait 48 hours before pitching again. The motion was seconded by Mr. McGreevy with all in favor.

Mr. Pezzato reported the clay was ordered, as well as soccer balls, first aid kits, wheelbarrows, and baseball equipment.

**Basketball:** An incident at a 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade boys' game was reported to the League when a referee threw out a parent and child from the gym.

Ms. Dieteman and Mr. Chaladoff met with Superintendent Bing, the monitor program is not going well, and there is no supervision. The 2007 budget will include funds for cameras eliminating the need for door monitors.

Discussion was held on allotment of gym time for teams other than Liberty Rec. The Athletic Director and the Basketball Commissioner must approve scheduling. Insurance coverage concerning an AAU team was also discussed.

**Soccer:** Nothing to report.

**Athletic Director:** Nothing to report

**Correspondence:** None

**Old Business:** Scoreboard Screens- a request will be made to Independence Twp. Recreation Commission to help fund the cost of the screens at GMMS. The funds would then be put in Recreation Trust and used for the Tiger Wrestling donation. No letter has been received from Tiger Wrestling to date.

**New Business:**

**Subcommittee Reports:**

**Concession Stand:** Nothing to report

**Community Day:** Nothing to report

**Beach:** Nothing to report

**Summer Recreation:** Nothing to report

**Disciplinary:** Nothing to report

**Parks & Recreation areas:** Nothing to report

**Commissioner Comments:** The Environmental Commission Natural Lawn Care presentation and Composter Give Away was announced.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Greason, Recording Secretary