# LIBERTY TOWNSHIP RECREATION COMMISSION Regular Meeting Minutes August 25, 2015

The meeting was called order at 7:10 PM in accordance with the Sunshine Law. **Roll call** 

Present: Chairman Dan Gaeta, Mike Doyle, Amanda Loguidice, Karin Sabo, second alternate Cathy O'Byrne

Absent: Vice Chair Suzanne Buchanan, Kelsey Fisher, Andy Cassini, first alternate Jennifer Pandorf

## Minutes

The minutes of July 28, 2015 were approved as corrected on a motion by the Chair, second by Ms. Loguidice, with all in favor, Ms. Sabo and Mr. Doyle abstaining.

#### **Public Comment**

Mr. Jay had questions concerning aquatic weed control and was directed to the Mountain Lake Community Association & Watershed Advisory Group.

Mr. Spangenberg reported the equipment room was cleaned by himself, the soccer and basketball Commissioners and 3 volunteers. A list of disposed items was submitted. More can be done, but mouse droppings require the use of a shop vac. Outdated uniforms and equipment was donated where possible. Items of value, but unused have been set aside.

Mayor Inscho and Committeeman Cummins asked about unused soccer goals that are being stored on the fields. They are in the way for mowing. The soccer Commissioner stated the ones on the field are being used, but others stored in the woods are not. The batting cage needs weed whacking, and the thistle is bad in the playground area.

## Correspondence

GM Board of Education- approval for use of school fields for recreation soccer.

#### Reports

**Baseball**- Mr. Spangenberg reported that he had to clean up daily the equipment and debris left out after Summer Recreation. Co-Commissioner Pat Burke asked about the mounted equipment sheds- they are broken. Another was purchased and Al Crisafulli needs to be contacted about its whereabouts.

**Soccer**- Mr. Murphy reported all fields are lined, practices are beginning and games start Sept. 12. Referees are lined up. A motion was made by the Chair to approve \$316 for nets and balls to come out of the memberships and legal advertising line items, seconded by Ms. Loguidice with all in favor. The Chair made a motion to approve \$723.35 for uniforms, seconded by Ms. Sabo with all in favor. My Private label requested ½ the money up front, Kevin will request a reimbursement and the remainder will be invoiced. Background checks must be done for the head coaches.

**Beach**- After much discussion Ms. Sabo made a motion to refund the 3 15 yr. old lifeguards \$285 for the course, seconded by Ms. O'Byrne with 2 in favor, 2 opposed, and Mr. Gaeta abstaining. Mr. Doyle made a motion to refund the 3 15 yr. old lifeguards \$142.50, seconded by Ms. Loguidice with 2 in favor, 2 opposed and Mr. Gaeta abstaining. After continued discussion Ms. Sabo made a motion to refund \$142.50 to the 3 15 yr. old guards, seconded by Mr. Doyle, 4 in favor and Mr. Gaeta abstaining.

The Chair obtained quotes for raft repairs, but Mr. Cummins stated the DPW will do the repairs in-house over the winter. The dock ladder was ordered, but never shipped, and calls and emails to EZ Dock were not returned. The Mayor received an email that EZ Docks were having a special sale. The remainder of the U-shaped dock will have to be budgeted for through a request in the 2016 capital improvements.

**Boat launch**- The fee collection box has been installed and fees are being collected daily by the Chair. He will drop off the fees weekly for deposit into the Recreation Trust account. Mr. Gaeta made a motion to approve \$100 for having the post welded, seconded by Ms. Loguidice with all in favor.

**Fields**- An issue has arisen with vehicular vandalism at the Free union field. The gate must be locked when not in use, and left open for emergency access when in use by authorized persons. Coaches may drive up to drop off equipment, but vehicles must not be parked at the top of the hill except for handicapped access. The gate will have a new lock and all persons authorized to have a key will have to sign a log. The sports commissioners will be responsible and the keys will have to be returned at the end of the season. Card swipe access was discussed.

**Concession**- Ms. Fisher cleaned the stand. The key and money box need to be turned in with a financial report.

**Rosenkrans Award-** Max Crowder was not present at Community Day and has not received his trophy and gift card. It will be presented at a Twp. Committee meeting.

**Summer Rec**- The final report was submitted. Discussion was held on out of town residents being accepted into the program before Liberty residents. Registration was limited to Liberty residents until a certain date, then continued with open enrollment. Ms. Sabo felt that no matter when registrations were submitted Liberty residents should be given first priority.

**Policies**-The Chair stated all policies need review and revisions. The mayor requested beach policies be done by year end. The clerk is collecting employment policies from other beaches, pools, and water parks for the Twp. Committee to review. The secretary was asked to send the existing beach policies and recommendations to the Commission before the next meeting. The Chair will go through all the other policies and make recommendations to the Commission.

**Background checks-** Mr. Doyle stated the lifeguards over 18 were given a time period to get background checked after the last meeting. The Municipal Clerk accepted background checks from other sources. This will be addressed in the new employment policies.

Adult activities- Ms. Loguidice reported the movie night contract was not acceptable by the attorney and will get revamped. The tai chi instructor certificate of insurance was submitted and misplaced. It will be located or replaced. The Mayor was informed of the WC Mayors Wellness Campaign through the Health Dept. If our mayor signs up for this program small grants are available for programs.

**Pavilion-** Mr. Doyle reported on the progress made by the subcommittee to develop regulations for use of the facility.

#### **Old Business**

Red Shed-The Eagle Scout project has been approved by the troop, and now will progress to the Scout Council for their approval.

A 12' x 16' shed was donated to the town. Discussion was held on the location.

The Cardinals baseball team's filed use request was approved last October for April – October 2015. Their certificate of insurance is on file.

#### Adjournment 9:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Greason, Secretary