

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP RECREATION COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes 25 October 2016

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Liberty Township Recreation Committee was held in the Municipal Building, 349 Mountain Lake Road, Great Meadows on 25 October 2016. The meeting was opened by Chairperson Dan Gaeta with adequate notice of meeting and the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:07 pm.

Roll Call:

Suzanne Buchanan (alt #2)	Dan Gaeta (Chair)
Amanda Loguidice (Vice Chair)	Cathy O'Byrne
Jon Beyer	Peter Karcher, Liaison

Absent: Andy Cassini Jennifer Pandorf (alt #1) Wayne Spangenburg

Minutes

A motion by Dan Gaeta to adopt the minutes of 27 September 2016 with typographic corrections carried.

Reports

Adult Recreation

Amanda Loguidice stated that she had spoken with Ms. Levinstein to investigate details for a Paint/Wine fund raising event, to be held at the Firehouse.

Background Checks

Dan Gaeta inquired if anyone wanted to assume this responsibility?

Baseball

Dan Gaeta announced that Liberty Township Recreation would be having Wayne Spangenberg or Pat Burke as Baseball Commissioner for the 2017 season.

Basketball

Dan Gaeta stated that 21 clinic and 63 regular resignations have been received for the 2017 Basketball program. Eleven participants have registered for the kindergarten program and ten within the First/Second grade program. There have not been enough Third/Fourth grade girls to form a team so Dan will approach Independence Township for these girls to participate in their program. A coaching clinic is schedule for 12 November at 9:30 am at Allamuchy. The gyms have been reserved for games and the season begins the first week of November.

Beach

Boat launch fees collected to date are \$3040.97. Dan Gaeta asked for consent to install boat cleats on the dock. Unanimous approval received from all members present.

Community Day

Dan Gaeta reported that Sarah Grub shall be the community day coordinator for 2017. She will begin working on the program January 2017.

Concession Stand

The potable water test has failed. Discussion ensued on prior knowledge of testing date for line purging; port-a-john vs concession stand water testing costs; concession stand closure 12 November with last games of soccer season.

Disciplinary

No report.

Finances

Awaiting deposit of funds from Bergen County, NJ, a total of \$250.00 for summer recreation program participants

Free Union Fields

Dan Gaeta reported that he will be exploring playground equipment and costs for Free Union Fields.

Policies

Discussion on the creation of a registration fee waiver policy resulted in the following details that Dan Gaeta will coordinate for presentation to the Township Committee for their review and acceptance.

- ✓ For the year in which the Coach is actively participating, LTRC shall once annually waive one coach's family child's registration fee for any sport.
- ✓ This waiver shall not apply to assistant coaches
- ✓ Commissioners are to report a coach's request to waive their fee to LTRC
- ✓ LTRC and LTRC Assistant shall maintain a record of waived fees.

Rosenkrans Award

No report.

Soccer

No report.

Softball

No report.

Summer Recreation Program

No report.

Recreation Commission Members

No report.

Recreation Commission Chair

Dan Gaeta reported that he is pursuing a replacement LTRC member for the vacancy created with the resignation of Jabar Hasan.

Upon consensus of the LTRC members, the proposed meeting dates shall be 29 November and 20 December 2016 with a start time of 6:00 pm.

New Business

BEACH AREA DEVELOPMENT

Dan Gaeta announced that he has been in communication with Buddy from Easy Docks, and Gwen Fisher, Head Lifeguard, to discuss the beach docks proposals. It was agreed that Dan and Pete Karcher would meet with Buddy at the beach for consideration of installing a free floating dock within the swim area. LTRC would investigate their availability of funds to cover the costs and request additional funding from the Township Committee if necessary for any shortcomings.

Consideration on relocating the boat dock to the left of the boat launch area was discussed to eliminate the creation of stagnant water between the two docks. Pete Karcher advised that Dan Gaeta discuss this suggestion with Dan Grover who has planned the beach-boat launch-pavilion area.

RECREATION ASSISTANT APPOINTMENT

Following discussion it was agreed that LTRC would propose to the Township Committee the Recreation Assistant salary of \$13.00 per hour with a minimum of three (3) hours and the maximum of ten (10) hours per week. Upon consent from the Township Committee, Dan Gaeta would contact the candidates of preference, in sequential order, to offer the position;

First – Melissa Beyer

Second – Kimberly Popiak

Third – Charlene Prouflias

Fourth – Michele Slonina

Adjournment

A motion by Dan Gaeta to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 pm carried.

Diane M Pflugfelder, RMC/MMC
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Adopted 29 November 2016