

STILLWATER TOWNSHIP  
RECREATION COMMISSION  
01/05/15

The regular meeting of the Stillwater Township Recreation Commission was held on January 5, 2015 at 7:07 pm at the Stillwater Municipal Building, Stillwater, NJ. The meeting was called to order by Commission Chairman Rachael Gullette with the statement read that this meeting is in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Statement and the flag salute.

Members Present: Mr. Ashley, Mrs. Delaney, Ms. Fritsch, Ms. Gullette, Ms. Hess, Mr. Manser, Ms. Richardson

Members Absent/Excused: none

### **MINUTES**

Motion by Ms. Richardson, seconded by Ms. Fritsch, that the minutes from the December 1, 2014 meeting be accepted as printed. Motion carried with one abstention – Mr. Ashley

### **BILLS**

The following bills were presented – Mr. John \$ 450.00; Ms. Hess \$ 150.00; Shop Rite \$ 87.68; Ms. Hess 75.00; Minisink Press \$ 295.00; Ms. Hess \$29.40 for a total of \$1,087.08. Motion by Ms. Fritsch, second by Ms. Delaney to approve the bills. Motion carried.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

### **OPEN PUBLIC SESSION** – Agenda Items Only 7:10 pm

Mr. Sylvester asked to speak now as he has another appt. and needs to leave. It was agreed to allow him to address the board at this time. Mr. Sylvester wanted an update on the items discussed at the October meeting. All have been addressed with the exception of the sand box which the committee wants to remain. He requested that it be relocated so it is off the grass and perhaps put near the flag pole. It was agreed to look into that. The paved walkway to the bridge – it needs to be approved by DEP and now in the town's hands to have done. We are waiting for results. The trail maintenance is going through SLAP and the town needs to request SLAP. The teams to discuss field maintenance, etc. All the teams we have on file were given an invitation to come to this meeting. Closed open public session at 7:17 pm

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

None

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Port-a-John's – Just verifying the delivery and removal dates. March 15<sup>th</sup> for delivery and November 15 for p/u. Michele spoke with Mr. John's. There will be no change in price and there is no contract which is why no one can find one.
- b. Field Use Forms – attached you will all find the corrected copy of the field use form. Motion by Ms. Fritsch, second by Mrs. Delaney to approve the corrected copy of the field use form.

- c. Post cards – Darren Menkins, Stillwater Fredon Little League is joining with Kittatinny Baseball so will be one league now. They are always willing to work with other teams. They will be using Swartswood. Since there is no travel team this year, there will probably be no conflicts. May only be a conflict at the very end of the season. He will be back Feb. 2.  
Field Maintenance – unless someone comes to the meeting and lets us know, we really don't know what is needed. Would like to see a second chain link fence around the bench areas to keep the kids in their area. He will also get Rachael the combination to the shed. The shed at Swartswood needs to be cleaned out.  
Oscar Fernandez – Kittatinny Soccer Club – He uses Volunteer field. There has never been an issue. He works with Jessica Pappas and they coordinate and practice together. Since there is no other teams, they will probably move the goals to make smaller field since he has the younger group. They try to share the expenses with the Rec. to maintain things. The only requests are that the fields get mowed more frequently and the shed. He would like to see the doors fixed and maybe new paint. We will look into this for him.
- d. Tree Lighting –
  - i. We had a larger turnout than last year. It was a really nice night. It was discussed that night to look into doing it on Friday night instead of Sat. leaving Sat. and Sun. open for snow date.
- e. Holiday Decorating –
  - i. There were 5 entries. The winners were 1<sup>st</sup> place went to the Mollinet family, 2<sup>nd</sup> went to Bielen family, 3<sup>rd</sup> went to the Buff family and Honorable mentions went to the Draghi family and the Schwartz family. They each were sent a letter thanking them. The names were announced on the web-site.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Review of dates
  - a. Clean Up Day – Sat. April 25
  - b. Stillwater Day (including Miss Stillwater, Little Miss and Mr. Stillwater) Sat. June 20
  - c. Garage Sale Day – Sat. July 18
  - d. State/County Fair – 1<sup>st</sup> week of August
  - e. Summer Camp – weeks of August 10 and August 17
  - f. Tree lighting – Fri. Dec. 4 (snow Dec. 5 or Dec. 6)
  - g. Holiday Decorating – Deadline Wed. Dec. 16, Judging Fri. Dec. 18

Mr. Ashley made a suggestion to add a Halloween Decorating contest. After much discussion, it was agreed to add the dates of Deadline Wed. Oct. 28 and Judging Fri. Oct. 30.

Ms. Hess mentioned that we should send a letter out to all residents introducing the Commission and the different dates we have scheduled. All agreed.

A motion made by Mrs. Delaney, second by Ms. Fritsch to approve the dates. Motion carried.

## **OPEN PUBLIC SESSION**

None

## **COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

Ms. Gulette feels that for the Little Mr. Stillwater there should be no nepotism. We still want to have Mr. Nothstine handle and coordinate the Contest but we would like to have other judges, not his daughter-in-law. There were many phone calls when the winner was announced. The winner was the son of one of the judges and Mr. Nothstine's grandson. We would like to have final approval of the judges.

The County Fair – Rachael wants to be there this year. It was very upsetting when we worked so hard on the “theme” that the Fair told us to use. We spent hours and hours on it. The winner had nothing at all to do with the theme. It was merely a bulletin board with pictures. When the notice comes in, Ms. Hess will let the committee know when the meeting will be. Those that can attend will be there.

Ms. Hess would like to have a committee member in charge of each of the projects. All the committee should help but one member be in charge of the event to coordinate all.

Ms. Richardson asked about getting Sponsorships for Stillwater Day. We invited Dana, the CFO in to discuss this. She mentioned that we could in fact, request sponsors for certain areas of Stillwater Day (usually for the fireworks, etc). It would go into a trust entitled “Stillwater Day Trust”. All monies donated would go into that fund. Mrs. Delaney would do a sign.

She would also like to make a list of projects we would like accomplish this year.

We will send notices to the contiguous towns as to what our dates are for the upcoming year.

### **LIAISON REPORT**

None

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Rachael asked for a motion to adjourn at 8:32 pm. Motion by Mrs. Fristch, second by Ms. Richardson. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Hess  
Secretary

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The reorganizational meeting of the Stillwater Township Recreation Commission was held on January 5, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Stillwater Municipal Building, Stillwater, NJ. The meeting was called to order by Commission Secretary Michele Hess with the statement read that this meeting is in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Statement. The American Flag was saluted and roll call taken.

Members Present: Mr. Ashley; Mrs. Delaney; Mrs. Fritsch, Ms. Gulette, Ms. Hess, Mr. Manser, Ms. Richardson

Members Absent: none

Purpose of this Reorganizational meeting is to appoint the new officers and set the meeting dates. Chairman – Rachael Gulette, Vice Chairman – Donna Fritsch, Secretary, Michele Hess. All have accepted their positions

Meetings will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every month with the exception of the September which is Labor Day. The meeting dates will be as follows: Jan 5; Feb. 2; Mar. 2; Apr. 6; May 4; June 1; July 6; Aug. 3; Sept. 21; Oct. 5; Nov. 2; Dec. 7. All dates approved.

Meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Michele Hess  
Secretary