

STILLWATER TOWNSHIP
RECREATION COMMISSION
03/07/2016

The regular meeting of the Stillwater Township Recreation Commission was held on March 7, 2016 at 7:00 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. Gullette, Mr. Manser, Ms. Richardson
Members Absent/Excused: Ms. Fritsch, Ms. Hess

MINUTES

Motion by Mrs. Delaney, seconded by Mr. Ashley, that the minutes from the February 1, 2016 meeting be accepted as printed. Motion carried.

BILLS

The following bills were presented – Michele Hess for tent - \$969.98, NJ Herald for ad for meeting dates - \$ 42.30 and Mr. John for Jan.23-Feb.22 - \$87.00 for a total of \$1,099.28. Motion by Mrs. Delaney, second by Ms. Richardson to approve the bills. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

A magazine, Windsor Soil sent their annual letter proposal \$1,053.50 for approx. 25 tons of clay. Dave to check with Par-Tac Peat.

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION – Agenda Items Only - 7:10 – 7:12 pm

Kathy Fobes Jacoby, 964 Mt. Holly Road. Clean Up Day – any Org. that wishes to donate their money back to the Rec. Commission, it can be donated back to something specific such as the pavilion.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA –

OLD BUSINESS

1. Field Use Applications –
 - a. Andrew Cockerhem. He was asked by Justin Bellis to request 2 nights (Tues & Wed. possibly) for Stillwater Park. Would prefer Wednesday times would be about 6-8. North Jersey Adult Co-ed Softball Adult League. Motion by Ms. Richardson, second by Mrs. Delaney to approve pending second day availability. Motion carried.
 - b. Bill Hughes, Stillwater Fire Dept. – Mountain Bike Poker Run on the trails. October 2, 2016 (8am – 4pm) for start and finish point. Following the run, there will be a band (9 pcs. – Street Hassle and the Brass Balls) and open to the public. There will be lunch available. Issue will be parking. They will be encouraging car pooling and possible shuttling from the firehouse to the park. Rain or Shine. If it rains, there will be no parking on the fields themselves. Motion by Mrs. Delaney, second by Mr. Manser to approve. Motion carried.
 - c. Oscar Fernandez, Kittatinny Soccer Club – Volunteer Field, Sundays for games. They work together with other team on days for practice and games. Motion by Mr. Ashley, second by Mr. Manser. Motion carried.

- d. Field Use Forms – changes were made on the forms as we discussed and they are also on the web-site now.
2. Benches – the company finally went to pick up the legs for the team benches and they cannot be returned since they are not in the original packing and are all scratched up. Brian suggested we have bases welded on the bottom of the legs if we want them to be free standing. We will make them permanent.
3. Playground – Ms. Gullette has been in touch with different companies. They will meet with us at the fields themselves. They also do pavilions and if they do both, their number can be reduced. Ms. Gullette has called several places but they don't return the calls.
4. Pavilion – Pioneer Pole Barns – Heather Evans. They will bid. They want to bid 2 ways either Prevailing Wage or non. Armada will also come back with another bid reflecting Prevailing Wage. Concrete floor will also be added into the bids.
5. Clean Up Day – Letters and forms have all gone out to the people that participated last year. They also have been sent to Town Hall to go on the web-site. The first one is already back. Clean Up Day is April 23. Dawn also posted on Facebook and Paulinskill Lake's Facebook page. It's for Stillwater Resident's only. Brian got the partial list of the roads and mileages. He said it's not 100% but close. Kathy Fobes-Jacoby is giving the trees away on Sat. and Sun. again. Possible they may go to Sussex County Day. Also, from 10-1 will be shredding available. This will be townwide available.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Kathy Fobes-Jacoby – Green Team asked for a budget of \$1,500 this year. They want to put a native garden in. April Fisher is a "Master Gardener" and belongs to the "Native Garden Society". This would be a small project on the bank behind the memorial to start. They will get a sketch for the Township. They will also be looking into a grant for the funds. It is about 20' of the bank. They want to tie into the existing pavers there. They will be deer resistant so no fencing will be needed. Supposed to be low maintenance, low water requirements, etc.

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION - 8:00 pm – 8:14 pm

Lisa Chammings, Mt. Holly Road. She received a call from a resident who wasn't able to attend our meeting, that wants to know if we are doing the lower end of Middleville Road. The answer is that yes, it is one of the roads to be done. We need to make sure that it is one of the roads being cleaned since there is a lot of trash there and it's a central road.

Also, as Liaison to Environmental Commission, she contact Cindy Randazo, DEP, who has given us the names of the appropriate people to maintain the trails at Veteran's Park (both sides). She doesn't think we need permits since our trails are already in. Ms. Chammings has also been in touch with Sandy Philhower who is interested in working with us in memory of her son. He had originally done an Eagle project that now washes out with flooding and she wants to do something to replace his project somewhere else. She wants to work with us.

Bill Hughes, Stillwater Fire, wants to discuss Stillwater Day and would like to set up a meeting with some of us to discuss what we want them to do. They just don't want it to be a last minute thing.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Ms. Hess – We set the Holiday Judging on Fri. Oct. 28 and would like to have it moved to Sat. Oct. 29. Okay by all.

Mr. Manser – Lights at Veteran’s – Brian was down there looking at them. He will make sure all is ok. Have Michele call to get the Part-a-John’s returned. Also, what is our protocol for closing the fields due to rain? Set the time for between 3-4pm to call to have someone check the fields and let Michele know that the field is closed and she will contact the teams using it.

Ms. Gulette would like to see the sign at Veteran’s Park redone. Other suggestion is to have the Port-a-John moved away from the sign.

LIAISON REPORT

Mr. Fisher and Ms. Hess met with Risk Management (the Insurance Co.) and Ms. Hess sent an email to all to look over. If everyone is in agreement, we will send over to Mr. Morville and he will get it done on a form for us to review. Also, we will be meeting on March 15 with the Engineer to discuss the donated property, also at Veterans’ to discuss access to the parking, the location of the pavilion, etc.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

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There being no further business, Ms. Gulette asked for a motion to adjourn at 8:31 pm. Motion by Mrs. Delaney, second by all to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Hess
Secretary