

## LIBERTY TOWNSHIP RECREATION COMMISSION

Regular Meeting Minutes February 27, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dan Gaeta at 6:07 pm in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

### Roll Call

Present: Dan Gaeta, Amanda Loguidice, Andy Cassini, Ian Denzer-Weiler, Jennifer Pandorf (alt #1), Suzanne Buchanan (alt #2), Peter Karcher (Liaison)

Absent: Cathy O'Byrne, Jon Beyer, Wayne Spangenberg

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Mr. Gaeta to accept the minutes with minor changes from January 30, 2018, seconded by Ms. Loguidice. All in favor.

### Communications

A resident reached out wanting to join an email list for the Recreation Commission.

### Reports

Adult Recreation: Yoga has been continuing well. Tai Chi for February was cancelled due to the holiday.

Background Checks: Discussion took place about alternative background check companies that would update monthly for all who go through the process. Commission will revisit before June.

Baseball: Baseball merged with Independence Twp. LTRC members will become representatives on the board for next year (fall season).

Basketball: Season is almost over. Independence needs payment vouchers. The season went well without major issues. Just small problems in the beginning with facility use, which were addressed. Questions arose regarding uniforms and if jerseys can be purchased for future seasons. Discussion ensued regarding cost of the jerseys and that they were not always returned. Questions to pose to the Twp. Committee – Can LTRC seek sponsorship for sports teams to offset cost? Can the Commission select the sponsors to ensure they are appropriate?

Beach: Proposal from Garden State Labs has been received for 2018 water testing this summer. Price has increased due to changes in the testing which require more lab work. Discussion ensued regarding taking the water quality samples in-house and dropping off to the lab on a weekly basis. Estimates were figured out that with time, travel and per sample cost for lab work, savings can be over \$200. Sample jars are provided free from Garden State Labs. A motion was made to approve in-house water sampling by Mr. Gaeta, seconded by Ms. Buchanan. All in favor. Applications are still being received for Beach Manager and Lifeguards for summer season. Interviews will need to be set up for March/April. Three quotes were sought for a time clock for the beach. A motion was made by Mr. Gaeta, seconded by Ms. Loguidice to purchase the AcroPrint 125 Time Clock with punch cards.

Community Day: Amendments were recommended by municipal attorney for fireworks contract. The changes requested were forwarded to Fireworks Extravaganza. Quotes received for amusements and magician. The LTRC reviewed all three quotes for amusements and Mr. Gaeta made a motion to approve hiring Party Perfect Rentals for Community Day. Motion seconded by Ms. Buchanan, all in favor. Three quotes received for magician services on Community Day. After review of all proposals, a motion was made by Mr. Gaeta, seconded by Ms. Loguidice, to recommend hiring Mr. Magico for a 45 min. stand-up show and 1.5 hour strolling magic. All in favor. Flyer for art contest complete and pending approval from Superintendent for school distribution. The Commission will contribute \$500 towards music again at Community Day, as long as they have a choice on the band. Events for this year will include the poker

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stroll, motorcycle run, egg toss, pie contest, arts and crafts, games, and fishing derby. Mt. Lake Community Association will sponsor a boat parade. Flyer for event to come next meeting.

Concession Stand: No report.

Disciplinary: None

Finances: None.

Free Union Fields: None

Policies: None

Rosenkrans Award: None

Soccer: Mr. Murphy was in attendance and announced that he will be stepping down as soccer commissioner this year. Reported that there were low numbers last fall and issues about referees wanting to be paid in cash. To boost numbers, May registration might help. LTRC will need to find a volunteer to step up as commissioner.

Softball: None

Summer Recreation Program: Ms. Thompson drafted a flyer for registration. Registration for Liberty residents will be open in April and Non-residents can begin registering in May. A motion was made by Mr. Gaeta to approve the flyer for distribution, seconded by Ms. Buchanan. All in favor. Ms. Thompson suggested some edits to the Recreation Registration form to ensure she gets all information needed. Mr. Gaeta made a motion to approve the amended registration form, seconded by Mr. Denzer-Weiler. All in favor.

Recreation Commission Members: None

Recreation Commission Chair: None

Unfinished Business

Rutgers Safety Program: No update.

New Business

Field Maintenance Contracts: Two proposals received: Code Green and TruGreen. Proposals were not comparable. Ms. Schaaf will request a breakdown for better comparison. LTRC Liaison will propose a question to the Twp. Committee regarding continuing treatment for early spring until contract approved.

Playground: No discussion.

Public Comment:

Ms. Schaaf mentioned some recent communications regarding summer music concert at the pavilion and a bus trip to a Sussex County Miners game for future consideration.

Adjournment at 7:38 pm.

Approved March 27, 2018