

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP RECREATION COMMISSION

Regular Meeting Minutes July 24, 2018

The meeting was called to order by the Committee Liaison Peter Karcher at 6:07 pm in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll Call

Present: Amanda Loguidice, Cathy O'Byrne, Ian Denzer-Weiler, Jennifer Pandorf (alt #1), Peter Karcher (Liaison)

Absent: Andy Cassini, Jon Beyer, Wayne Spangenberg, Suzanne Buchanan (alt #2),

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Ms. O'Byrne to accept the minutes from May 29, 2018, seconded by Ms. Pandorf. All in favor. The minutes from the Executive Session on May 29, 2018 were approved by a motion made by Ms. Loguidice, seconded by Ms. Pandorf. All in favor.

Reports

Adult Recreation: Yoga program continuing well. Interest received from Zumba instructor for adding a class. Ms. Schaaf will forward information to Ms. Loguidice. Ms. Loguidice contacted Art-Stitution regarding a paint night event for the fall. Cost is \$20 per person.

Background Checks: No update.

Baseball: No update.

Basketball: No update.

Beach: Additional AED pads were purchased for the Beach. Information regarding a company that will coordinate Stand-Up Paddleboard and Kayak rentals received from Oxford Furnace Lake. Possibility to bring to Mountain Lake. Company is insured and has own equipment and employees and handles all of their own finances. \$558.55 deposited in fees collected from the boat launch from June-July. Staff update: Our Beach manager will be in touch with Oxford Furnace Lake regarding extra lifeguard support for the season. Discussion ensued regarding dock by kayak racks and cost of \$8,000 vs. possibility to build in-house. Mr. Karcher will present the idea to the Township Committee. Report from the Beach Manager: On average 40-50 people during the day and up to 140 as the high record attendance on the weekend. The low is 1 person. Two assist have been made by Lifeguard Jensen. No major issues or concerns have been reported. One failed test which could be due to excessive rain. A retest was completed within 36 hours and results were good and back to normal. Summer Rec has attended 3 days so far at the lake. Concern regarding low employment – hours might need to be adjusted to accommodate. Ms. Schaaf will review data from previous years regarding test results, failures and look into average dissipation rate for future comparison. Ms. Schaaf will reach out to Beach Manager regarding mid-way Employee Evaluations being completed.

Community Day: Discussion ensued regarding Community Day wrap-up, vendors, and activities. Suggestions for the future: move Poker stroll to later in the day, possibly go with a different fireworks company. The Environmental Commission has volunteered to have a table of literature by the games and crafts and provide volunteer support for those activities, while providing literature to the community. The Mt. Lake Fire Company still never received the Certificate of Insurance from Liberty Twp.

Concession Stand: None.

Disciplinary: None

Finances: None.

Free Union Fields: None.

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Policies: Summer Recreation Job Description and Beach opening checklist will be emailed for review at next meeting.

Rosenkrans Award: Ms. Schaaf will follow up with Suzanne for the bio for the website. This year's recipients are Emily Garguilo & Andrew Kmetz.

Soccer: Soccer Commissioner, Lauren Maza reported that 9 kids are registered for 1st/2nd grade team, 8 for Kindergarten Clinic. There weren't enough registrations to make teams for Grades 3-8. October 6th will be a Soccer Tournament at Field of Dreams and the League will be hosting a training for the coaches in September. Ms. Schaaf and Ms. Maza will meet before the end of August to review equipment, medical supplies, uniforms, background checks for coaches, etc.

Summer Recreation Program: T-shirts were purchased and distributed to counselors and youth. A full calendar has been organized for the 6 week program. Report from Director: 84 children enrolled, about 60-65 daily average attendance. Counselors are working great with the kids. Director has been using the Remind app to facilitate prompt communication with parents about change of location, reminder for trips or special days. Two indoor locations will be used in case of heavy rain: the Liberty Municipal building and the Liberty School. Pictures will be posted on the website, so please check them out. We had 3 people volunteer to help at camp this summer and the Director was planning on having them assist her with events, supplies, etc. Hoping the policy for volunteers will change in the future.

Recreation Commission Members: None.

Recreation Commission Acting Chair: None.

New Business: Playground fundraising: \$164 so far has been raised through t-shirt sales. More shirts are available for purchase. Discussion took place regarding a small brown patch on the Free Union Fields. The Commission and staff will keep an eye on the fields to make sure the services received this year are appropriate/successful with TruGreen.

Public Comment: None.

Adjournment at 7:12 pm.

Approved 9/25/18