

## Meeting Minutes- May 13, 2015

In attendance: Joe Lanza, Rich O'Brien, Steve Zmijewski, Donna Faulkenberry, Diane Spiegelhoff, John Berner, Paul Wasserman, Andrew Zaborney, Chris Hill, Ted Ricci

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order at 7:40 p.m.

**MINUTES FROM APRIL MEETING:** Rich O'Brien asked to waive the reading of the April minutes. Steve made a motion to accept them as presented and Joe seconded. All were in favor.

- SHS Football Camp: Guest, SHS Football Coach Cammarano, presented details on the Football Camp to be held Monday, June 22- Friday, June 26. Registration will be at 8:30 a.m. and the program will run from 9-12 each day. Coach Cammarano has requested to use the high school facilities. The program will accommodate grades 2-8 with no limit as to the number of participants. Cost for participants is \$100 each and \$70 for each additional sibling. A T-shirt and waterbottle for each participant are supplied. Staff includes Coach Cammarano and two certified coaches along with various alumni of the high school football program. Staff will need to be certified by the Rutgers class.

Recreation's cost will be \$5 per registration for the credit card fee. Recreation will be able to cover the insurance for the program. Registration and advertising will begin once Coach Cammarano confirms the program facilities. Donna requested a program logo from Coach Cammarano and received a flyer to be distributed.

- Guest Erica Levy from Spotswood Cub Scout Pack 35 at Immaculate thanked Recreation for allowing her pack to set up a table during flag football. She also requested a connection between Recreation and Pack 35. Donna cautioned about a potential difficulty with such a connection as Recreation's restrictions for fundraising. Recreation may be able to publicize events as well as provide accommodations during programs that allow vendors.

### COMPLETED PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

- LEGO Movie Night: Rich reported that about 40 people attended. Both a Step Up Dance Studio gift certificate and a Lego kit were raffled off.
- Michael Road Project: Rich reported that the basketball court has been resurfaced at the cost of \$6,000. Diane added that a new fence should be constructed in June.

### STATUS OF ACTIVE PROGRAMS:

- Volleyball: No report
- Floor Hockey: Ended the last weekend of April.
- Adult Basketball: Will end the second Thursday of June.
- Flag Football: Rich read Jim's update in his stead. The program is going well. It will be over budget due to the increase in participation from 75 last year to 150 this year. Medals need to be ordered soon as well. There have been requests to extend the season but this change cannot be accommodated this year. Next year's budget will be discussed to include a potential increase due to the revenue received.
- T-Ball: Diane will cover Saturday in Rich's stead.

### UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

- Fishing Derby: Diane reported that the program will be held Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> from 8-10am. Jeff has the prizes. An advertisement has been made and will be distributed very soon.
- S'Woodstock 2015: A subcommittee meeting was held last night and the next will be May 26 at 7:30. Sponsors have been found but the needed budget has still not been met. The movie night will be on Friday June 5 at 6pm, Turbo will be shown at the high school that night, and the concert and car show will be on Saturday from 2-5 pm. Prizes will be raffled off. Three adult bands and the Academy of Music will participate. Rich will send out the agenda and shifts for the program to Recreation members.
- Summer Programs Registration (Arts & Crafts, Tennis, Swimming): Paul set up registration but needs to add the dates. Arts & Crafts will be June 29-July 24; Tennis will be July 13-August 7; Swimming will be July 20-August 14. Both Swimming and Tennis have the needed staff lined up. Registration for the programs will open June 1. Advertising will be sent out a week prior.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- REC Photographer: Jacob Williams has agreed to be the photographer and Diane will contact him about payment. The photographer's payment should be included in the budget for next year.
- CPR Class: Steve reported that the 3 hour class covers CPR and AED. The alternative is two 3.5 hour sessions which cover airways and first aid as well. The instructor will need a TV, DVR, and location provided for either program but he has the rest of the necessary equipment. The certification lasts 2 years. The class can accommodate 9 participants at a time. The cost of either program is \$30 per participant
- Scavenger Hunt Suggestion: Paul distributed ideas for clues and tentative rules for the program. He suggested that the program require teams and run from 11am-1pm immediately following the Spotswood 5K. He requested a potential budget to buy gift cards as prizes for the program. The budget may come from the 5K revenue, the remaining being donated to a charity. There would be pre registration available for the program as well as on site The logistics of the registration must be determined. Andrew raised a concern about possible hazards of scavenger hunt drivers around town. The idea must be discussed in more detail. Steve made a motion and Donna seconded to permit Paul to explore this event for inclusion in this years' 5K race.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Rieder Road Park and Neighborhood Assist Program: Recreation's BA, Dawn McDonald, announced that Spotswood's Rieder Road Park Project has been selected as a part of the top 200 in the State Farm Neighborhood Assist Program. The project will receive a \$25,000 grant from State Farm if it is voted into the top 40 projects of these 200 over the three week voting period. Each Facebook user will be able to vote 10 times each day from May 14 to June 3. The Sentinel will publicize the voting as well's as the project's unique link on Thursday. Messaging about voting is critical and will be posted on Facebook at least once every week. Flyers will be distributed to local businesses. If the grant is won, improvements to the park will include flood prevention, replaced fencing, a new playground area, and a resurfaced basketball court.
- June Meeting Date: The next meeting date has been moved to Thursday, June 11.
- Summer Meeting Schedule: The July 8<sup>th</sup> meeting has been cancelled. The August 12<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held. August 4<sup>th</sup> is National Night Out.
- 5K Race: Will be held the second Saturday in September.
- Dawn informed that a rabies clinic, with about 50 participants, is being held at the municipal building on the same day as the S'Woodstock Car Show.

A motion to adjourn was made by Andrew, Steve seconded. All were in favor.