

Meeting Minutes- October 14, 2015

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

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 7:50 p.m.

MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER MEETING: Rich O'Brien asked to waive the reading of the September minutes. Steve made a motion to accept and Chris seconded. All were in favor.

COMPLETED PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

- <u>5K Race</u>- Planning to split the profits from the event 70-30 to SHS golf and softball respectively.
 - Plan to invite them to the November meeting.
 - Hopefully will be able to award checks.
- Rutgers Class- event occurred last Saturday.
 - o 10 people signed up and 9 were able to attend.
 - o All were certified.
 - The next class will be in March.
- Adult Volleyball- Ongoing.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

- Adult Basketball- Currently 2 weeks into the program.
 - Kay will be asked to change the time written on the website to 5:30 p.m. and to also add Joe's email address for anyone looking to contact him with questions regarding the program.
- Adult Volleyball- no report.
- Floor Hockey- Going well.
 - There are slightly less players from last year, but there is still a total of 40 people between the two programs.
 - Registration for this program will be open until January.
- Youth Basketball- There are 26 kids signed up.
 - o 20 kids showed up to the first game.
 - Eighteen 4th graders, and two 6/7th graders.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

- <u>Halloween Trunk Or Treat</u>- The event will use the High School cafeteria, and the side and front lot at SHS on Saturday, October 31st.
 - There are other events occurring at the High School that day, so the cafeteria will be used for pizza and the DJ.
 - Pizza arrangements still need to be made.
 - The pizza place in Old Bridge was too expensive and wanted to deliver the pizza in two chunks.
 - Instead, Taverna will be contacted; if Taverna is more than \$8.00 a pie, Domino's will be used.
 - 45 pizzas are to be purchased and delivered for 7:00 p.m.

- PTA is taking care of the drinks.
- Advertising for the event has begun.
- The Recreation department will need to buy candy and contact Jacob Williams to take pictures the day of the event.
 - Ed has already been contacted for the trophies.
- Radio City Bus Trip- Dan has purchased 40 tickets.
 - There was a small problem because the original check was lost in transit, so Dan canceled it and will deliver a new check himself.
 - The bus has been booked.
 - Will leave at 1:30 p.m.
 - Show is at 4:00 p.m.
 - Rich O'Brien asked for the tickets to be sold at \$50 each. Chris made a motion to accept and John seconded. All were in favor.
- Tree Lighting Sub-Committee- Going well so far.
 - The event will start earlier this year; it will be from 5:00-6:00 p.m.
 - o 9 vendors have already signed up.
 - o Still need to decide who will light the tree.
 - This needs to be decided upon at the November meeting.
 - Need nominees.
 - Suggestions so far include, John Mayer, Bob Beach, and Coach Reid.
- <u>Indoor Soccer</u>- Registration opened October 1st.
 - There was an email blast and other messaging for the program.
 - o 4 people have registered so far.
 - Need a game day coordinator.

OLD BUSINESS:

- <u>CPR Class</u>- no report.
- <u>Communications Update: iPod donation drive</u>- Another email blast will be sent out before Trunk Or Treat.
 - Link to Music and Memory documentary, "Alive Inside: A Story of Music and Memory" will be added to the emails.
 - This event will run all year and there will be drop off bins at every Recreation Department event and at the Knights of Columbus and Borough Hall.
- Communications Update: Quest for 1000- Currently at 790 members.
- Zumba- Diane spoke to Tracy.
 - Tracy was still interested in running the program and she has been invited to the November meeting.
 - Will work out pricing and location at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Rieder Road Park Proposal- A sub-committee needs to be assembled.
 - Rich suggested making the park into a dog park.
 - There is constant flooding in the area.
 - The park does not get much usage.
 - The floods ruin the playground equipment.
 - Advantages to a dog park could include:

- If the area floods, there would not be expensive damage as there are only benches in dog park.
 - Saves money.
- There is a basketball-court in front of the park that could easily be converted to a small parking lot.
- <u>Recreation Department Shed</u>- When cars are parked in front of the shed, it is challenging to get in the shed.
 - o Moving the shed back was suggested.
- <u>Defibrillators</u>- The current ones owned by the Borough are old and need to be replaced. We will budget for the purchase of one for Recreation.
- <u>Budget</u>- There will be money left over.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rich at 8:46 p.m. All were in favor.

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