



## Meeting Minutes - November 9th, 2021

2021-11- Agenda - Rec Board Mtg

Date: November 9, 2021 7:00PM Spotswood Borough Hall

**Attendance:** Bob Hilse, Marylin Israel, Jim Curnal, Ryan Michelson, Mayor Palmer, Lorraine Schneider, Sal Masucci, Melissa Hallerman

**Call to Order:** Bob Hilse called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M.

- Motion to approve October minutes made by Bob
- John seconded the motion

### **Completed Programs and Events**

Pumpkin Patch Pickup (Melissa)

- Very successful
- Shoprite donated 163 pumpkins

Trunk or Treat (Bob)

- Was successful and had a high turnout
- Next year, do sign up for volunteers to be trunks
  - Also need a theme
  - Better parking organization/traffic control
  - To entice people to be trunkers, have some sort of prize for volunteering

Halloween Dance Party (Bob)

- There were fewer people than usual
  - Could be because it wasn't right after Trunk or Treat
- Perhaps use better location next year
  - A lot of walkers usually go, but Immaculate is not very walkable
  - Perhaps should do it at the Municipal Building
- Could try making Trunk or Treat and Halloween

CPR/AED Training (Rich email)

- Bob, Jim, Melissa, and Rich are now re-certified
- Forward emails to Diane

Budget (Rich Email)

- Submitted for 2022 last week
- Requested \$6,700 for Soccer Club

## **Status of Active Programs**

### Running Club (Bob)

- Not much has changed
- Reached out to Dell to use track the day before Thanksgiving
  - More of a social event just to get people together

### Youth Floor Hockey (Bob)

- Going well so far
- Younger group has high attendance
- The High School group only has 2 people
  - If low attendance by December, will most likely have to cancel

### Youth Basketball (Dan email)

- No update

### REC Newsletter-December Edition (Melissa)

- December edition December 1
  - The theme is "Save the Best for Last"
  - Send over to BA to approve
- Promote Tree-Lighting as well

## **Upcoming Programs and Events**

### Holiday Tree Lighting (Melissa)

- Mrs. Clause is Marilyn
- Set up very similar to Oktoberfest
- DJ Mike will DJ
- Rich reached out to Mrs. Delawless (Principal of Schoenly) to get the chorus
- Reached out to Mr. Dell to have athletic award/recognition
  - No team/person for acknowledgement
- Need to figure out tables. Already have:
  - Hot chocolate
  - Donuts
  - Hot pretzels
  - Cookies
  - Christmas pudding jar
- REC department wants to do ornaments
  - Wants kids to put their name on the ornaments and put them on the tree
  - Will move them to the Municipal Building's
  - Could also have a letter writing table
- Pictures with Mrs. Claus
  - Have a table set up for that as well
- Mayor Palmer is honorary tree lighter
- The rain date is Sunday

Santa Ride (Rich email)

- Definitely doing Santa Ride
- The date is December 18th and the rain date is the 19th
- Need volunteers for the truck

### **Unfinished Business**

Rutgers Certification (Rich email)

- Next session is November 20th 9-12 at Senior's Center
- Any member can get safety certification to be a coach
- Bob will takeover certification duties from Rich

Soccer Program (Sal)

- If it gets organized, will start in April
- Need enough coaches for the different age groups
  - Need to be Rutgers Certified
  - If someone is a coach, the child gets free registration
- Put out registrations beginning of the New Year would probably be best
- Pass out flyers at indoor soccer to get attention for outdoor soccer
- Could give a discount for people who do indoor and outdoor

Indoor Soccer (John)

- Need to get dates from Steve for when to put out registrations
- Need referees
- Also need monitors

### **Elections**

Communications Liaison

- Would need to amend the By-Laws in order to include Communications Liaison
- No nominations yet

Vice-Chair

- No nomination yet

Chairperson

- Bob was nominated for Chairperson (Melisa made a motion, Loraine seconded)
- Accepted by Bob for the time being
- Need to advertise for more members/people for these positions
  - Make sure people know REC meetings are open meetings and that people can go and offer ideas
  - Could put flyer/speak about it at Christmas Tree Lighting

- Use platforms that the REC has already created to get the public to know that they can join in managing the group as well
- Need full annual event calendar for 2022
- Could get people to sign up for the newsletter to get news about what goes on
- Borough thinking about constant contact emails
- Could use Facebook page to get more people involved by signing up for newsletter
- Melissa can make flyer advertising next meeting

### **New Business**

Summer Arts & Crafts Camp (Ryan)

- Diane really leads this

Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn by Jim Seconded by Loraine

Next Meeting: December 8, 2021

Municipal Courtroom 7 PM.