

## READINGTON RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 7:30pm

### A. Gabrielle Bolarakis called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.

### B. Attendance:

1. Committee Members: Melissa Adams, Mark Toman, Ken Groel, Bill Quinn, Matt Miller, John Hunt
2. Township Officials: Gabrielle Bolarakis, Patti Marcine
3. Guest: Ron Armellino

### C. Minutes Approval:

1. Mark made a motion: **The minutes for October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016 approved by the Readington Recreation Committee.** Ken seconded it. All were in favor.
2. Mark made a motion: **The minutes for November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 be approved by the Readington Recreation Committee.** Ken seconded it. All were in favor.

### D. Correspondence –Letter from Patricia Marcine informing the committee she will retire 9/30/17.

### E. Old Business

1. **Annual Report**-Gabrielle gave the annual report and reviewed the Recreation Committee's accomplishments including the implementation of online registration. The recreation committee discussed goals for 2017. The committee will continue to participate in annual park inspections, update the 5-year plan and explore options to fill the alternate position on committee and the Holiday Tournament Director position for 2017.
2. **Facility Update**- Three soccer fields were top dressed, over seeded, and covered at Hillcrest Park and two fields were seeded and covered at Summer Road Park this winter.
3. **Online Registration** – It is doing well. All programs spring programs are online. Basketball was done online and it is our biggest sport.

### F. New Business

1. **Capital Request 2017**- the Recreation Department capital request for 2017 has been submitted.
2. **Holiday Tournament** – Melissa reported the holiday tournament went very well. She reported starting on Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> rather than Dec. 26<sup>th</sup> was the best way to do the tournament. Gabrielle reported the Holiday Tournament report was not complete because we are still waiting for some checks, but it looks like the net is very close to last year. Melissa has offered to assist the new director new year.
3. **Boys Lacrosse**- Ken said the registration for boys' lacrosse is insufficient to field teams. A number of 7/8 grade players registered to play in Flemington. There will be no boy's lacrosse teams for grades 3-8 this spring.
4. **NJRPA Faye Mathewson Award-Awards Dinner March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017** - Gabrielle was happy to announce resident Ron Armellino is being recognized for all his volunteer work in the community, especially Recreation with the NJRPA Faye Mathewson Award. Ron was present and was very thankful and surprised. Readington Recreation will also receive the Showcase Award for Digital Marketing for our new online registration site. The awards will be presented at the NJRPA annual awards dinner on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**5. Dog Park-** Gabrielle said the dog park will be treated as section of Hillcrest Park, a permit for use will no longer be required. DPW will continue to maintain the section.

**6. Save the date-Volunteer Dinner Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup>-** Gabrielle asked everyone to think about which volunteers should be considered for recognition this year. Gabrielle was going to check with firehouse for availability and Patti will coordinate catering with Sorella's.

**7. Next Meeting February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**G. Closing-** John made a motion: *Readington Recreation meeting for January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 is adjourned at 9:30 PM.* Mark seconded it. All were in favor.