

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE  
READINGTON RECREATION COMMITTEE  
October 25, 2017 7:30pm**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

- a. Gabrielle Bolarakis **CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER** at 7:45 pm.

**B. ATTENDANCE**

- a. Committee Members: Melissa Adams, Ken Groel, John Hunt, Mark Toman
- b. Township Officials: Director Gabrielle Bolarakis, Assistant Director Brian VanDongen

**C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

- a. Mark made a **MOTION TO APPROVE** the minutes for September 27, 2017 meeting of the Readington Recreation Committee. **SECONDED** by Melissa. **VOTE: IN FAVOR:** All present.

**D. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. No correspondence

**E. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. **Pickell Playground:** Director Bolarakis distributed pictures of the newly installed playground at Pickell Park. The Committee said the playground looked great and will be an asset to the community. Director Bolarakis invited the Township Committee and the Recreation Committee to the Grand Opening of the new playground on October 28.
- b. **Travel Basketball:** Melissa spoke about the upcoming travel basketball season. She noted that we have more teams than in the past and have two teams in some age groups. Teams have started practice and most leagues begin in December.
- c. **Recreation Basketball:** Director Bolarakis noted that the structure for the recreation basketball program had to be changed for the upcoming season due to the addition of new travel teams in some age groups. She e-mailed Bill with the new structure and asked for his input on any needed rule changes for the new season.
- d. **Fall Sports:** Director Bolarakis identified the ending dates of fall sports as follows: 10/28 for field hockey, 11/4 for girls lacrosse and softball, and 11/11 for flag football. Assistant Director VanDongen noted the end of recreation soccer is 11/4 and discussed the new "World Cup" event for the end of soccer. The Committee thought it was a great idea.

**F. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. **Halloween Celebration:** Director Bolarakis discussed the events for the Halloween Celebration on October 28 at Pickell Park. There will be a photo booth, DJ, costume contest and parade, and trunk or treating. She also mentioned that the Grand Opening of the Pickell Park playground will occur at the celebration.
- b. **Next Meeting:** The next meeting of the Recreation Committee was scheduled for November 29, 2017 at 7:30pm.

**G. DISCUSSION ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

- a. **Boys Lacrosse:** Director Bolarakis asked Ken about the boys lacrosse program in the spring.

**H. ADJOURNMENT**

- a. Mark made a **MOTION TO ADJOURN** the meeting of the Recreation Committee. **SECONDED** by John. **VOTE: IN FAVOR:** All present
- b. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm

**Next meeting of the Recreation Committee:** November 29, 2017

Prepared and respectfully submitted by: Brian VanDongen, CPRP – Assistant Director of Recreation