

BOROUGH OF ROCKAWAY RECREATION COMMISSION
MEETING OCTOBER 23, 2012

Recreation Chairman D. Doty called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Flag Salute. The locations of the emergency exits were announced.

Present: Commission Members: S. Connington, D. Doty, R. Grow
T. Haynes, R. Lenahan, S. Patamia
Recreation Secretary: D. Tanzola
Recreation Director: C. Johnson
Councilman: T. Mulligan

Absent: Commission Member: T. Dennehy

Approval of Minutes from the September 25, 2012 meeting.

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2012 meeting was made by S. Patamia and seconded by S. Connington. All in favor.

Correspondence:

- Financial Update from J. Doherty, CFO dated 9/25/12
- Letter dated 9/20/12 from residents to C. Johnson, regarding Centennial Park.
- Response letter from C. Johnson to M. Calabria regarding Centennial Park. .

A motion to accept the correspondence (the \$5,300 difference on the Financial Update will be investigated) was made by T. Haynes and seconded by S. Connington. All in favor.

Public:

Pat MacDonald represented the Little League Board and explained that in order to cover the umpire fees for minors and majors (both baseball and softball); they increased the single membership fee to \$30 and the family membership fee (2 or more) to \$50. Discussion followed. Little League will have signups online and at Winter Wonderland.

Pat MacDonald asked for clarification of the ages of players in the Soccer divisions. D Doty explained the divisions.

Curtis Anderson and Bob Norton discussed the Jr. Knights Wrestling Fee. They explained that the \$40 fee is used to cover supplies. Discussion followed. S. Patamia made a motion to allow wrestling to ask for \$40 as a donation/signup fee. Any further requests for donations at signups will be taken under advisement. R. Grow seconded the motion. All in favor.

Chairperson/Director's Reports:

C. Johnson reported:

- She and D. Doty will meet with Dr. Purzak, the Superintendent of Schools to discuss basketball and field closures. .

- The DPW would like to charge a fee for dragging a field, which is not the towns. (Ex: school fields). .
- Discussed the rules for basketball.
- She will get estimates for new equipment at Centennial Park.
- She started getting information from different towns as to what they charge. She has responses from Wharton and Denville and will contact Rockaway Twp.
- Distributed budget information for the last several years (going back to 2007).
- Distributed information from J. Doherty, CFO on Trust Fund revenues
- Distributed a list from last year of what was allotted for each sport and what they needed to raise in order to function.
- She ordered the sign for the batting cage, as required by the insurance co.

Old Business: None

New Business:

S. Connington asked about the 2013 budget. Councilman Mulligan responded “flat”. He suggested the Recreation Commissioners attend the Mayor and Council meeting on Thursday for the 2013 budget presentation and the expectations for next year. He also said the Mayor and Council meeting is a good place to ask litigation questions regarding Donatoni Field.

Recreation Card fees and donation/signup fees were discussed. T. Haynes suggested lowering the Recreation Card Fee from \$75 to \$60. The Out-of-town fee should remain at \$100. S. Patamia made a motion to reduce the Recreation Card Fee to \$60 with a family limit of \$180 (3 or more children) and the registration cost per sport will be addressed next month. R. Lenahan seconded the motion. All in favor.

T. Haynes suggested discussing ways to improve the beach at next month’s meeting. Councilman Mulligan suggested an outside agency (ex: YMCA) run the beach.

Commissioner’s Reports: None

Vouchers:

<i>PO #</i>	<i>Vendor</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Amount</i>
2661	Nickel Artistic Services	Misc.	\$60.00
TOTAL			\$60.00

A motion to approve the voucher for payment was made by T. Haynes and seconded by R. Lenahan. All in favor.

Adjourn:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by S. Patamia and seconded by S Connington. All in favor. The meeting ended at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*D. Tanzola
Recreation Secretary*