BOROUGH OF ROCKAWAY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OCTOBER 22, 2013

Recreation Chairman D. Doty called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He read the Open Public Meeting Statement and announced the locations of the fire exits.

Everyone present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Committee Members: D. Doty, R. Grow, R. Lenahan

P. McDonald, S Patamia

Recreation Director: A. Smith
Recreation Secretary: D. Tanzola
Councilman: T. Mulligan

Absent: S. Connington, T. Haynes

Approval of Minutes:

P. McDonald made a motion to approve the Minutes of the September 24, 2013 meeting. R. Lenahan seconded the motion. All in favor.

Correspondence:

- A. Smith shared press releases from The Citizen and Daily Record newspapers regarding the Halloween House Decorating contest.
- A. Smith reported that at their October 10th meeting, the Mayor and Council made a motion to approve the fee change for the sport cards. The motion will be approved at their November 14th meeting.
- A. Smith gave the Financial Update: The Recreation Trust Fund has a balance of negative (\$7,388.58)
- S. Patamia made a motion to accept the correspondence. P. McDonald seconded the motion. All in favor.

Public: None

Chairperson/Director's Reports:

A. Smith:

- Reminded the Recreation Committee to attend the Park Lake dredging meeting at Rockaway Twp. She will email them to confirm the date.
- She needs judges for the Halloween House Decorating contest. The judging will take place Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 5-7 pm. S. Patamia and D. Doty volunteered. She will invite the Mayor and Council to judge along with a representative from the Garden Club. So far, there are five entries.

Old Business:

Fundraising efforts and ideas were discussed.

Breakfast with Santa at Applebee's was discussed.

R. Grow arrived at 7:30 pm.

- Additional ideas were discussed.
- A. Smith will organize a Kids/Parents Night Out.
- Holding a Santa Walk around Park Lake on Dec. 8th (Rain date Dec. 15th) from 11:00 am 1:00 pm was discussed. This event will support Rockaway Borough Recreation Programs. They could sell concessions and t-shirts and have activities on the beach (including a bonfire).
- A. Smith discussed the Sport Card Fee Waiver process. She has a list from the school of the children who receive free/reduced price lunches. Discussion ensued. Councilman Mulligan will send the free and reduced information to the town attorney for his review.

Council Liaison Report:

Councilman Mulligan said each sport should have a checking account designated for their sport. Money should not be deposited into a personal checking account.

Councilman Mulligan left at 8:30 pm.

New Business:

The Recreation Committee reviewed the 2014 preliminary sports budgets.

- T. Casiano and D. Doty discussed the Soccer budget.
- G. Casco discussed the Swim Team budget.

A. Smith said the Rec. Committee should discuss non-sport budget items next month. She asked the Committee to bring ideas for small cap projects and to do general research on pricing.

Committee Members Reports:

P. McDonald reported:

- He is working with the Police Dept. on an analysis, with costs, of security cameras for Heady Field/Memorial Park and Smith Field.
- He is running a 1980's fundraising party on 1/11/14. The \$40.00 cost includes food and entertainment. Proceeds will be used for cameras at Heady Field/Memorial Park and Smith Field.
- He is getting estimates for bulbs and lens covers for two lights at the Basketball Court. The cost (\$500) will be donated by his hockey friends.
- The high trees by the hockey court will be trimmed. The cost (\$500) will be donated by his hockey friends.
- On Nov. 8th or 15th adults will play hockey until 10:00 pm and each player will donate \$25.00 toward the cost of lights. He was told to submit a Use of Facility Form.
- The Slap program is coming to town on Oct. 28th.
- He discussed installing sensor lights at Friendship Field.

Adjourn:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by S. Patamia and seconded by R. Lenahan. All in favor. The meeting ended at 10:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

D. Tanzola Recreation Secretary