

Readington Recreation Minutes
March 24th, 2010

A. Sharon Bobnar called the meeting to order at 7:40 P.M.

B. Attendance:

1. Committee Attendance: Melissa Adams, Ken Groel, John Hunt, Mark Toman,
Linda Busch, Jeff Kane, Sharon Bobnar
2. Township Officials: Greta Kenney, Patti Marcine

C. Minutes Approval:

1. John made a Motion: *The minutes from the February 24th, 2010 Recreation Meeting is approved with changes specified in E-1a made* Mark seconded the motion. All were in favor.

D. Correspondence: None

E. Old Business

1. Volunteers Night March 2 - Report

- a. There was not a good turnout so it was decided to have it at an event.
- b. On April 17th Saturday is Family Fun Day and there will be tables along the paved pathway to the snack stand for Volunteer organizations to set up information tables.
- c. Greta will have Meg from front office coordinate the Volunteers.
- d. Recreation and PRLA will have a table set up

2. NFL-John

- a. Flag Football will have its own website ---Readington Flag Football.com
 1. It will cost \$30.00 which Greta will pay for with a gift card from recreation
 2. There will be a link to NFL website and all the information about sport
 3. Once the \$30.00 is paid they can go ahead and start registrations.
- b. Registration online will be done with credit cards and NFL will wire the money directly to TD Bank Recreation account.
- c. Registration is being done through "Active Sports" for a fee of \$1.94 per person and registration will be \$65.00 this year.
- d. Bill Di Giovanni is working with Steve Gible at the High School recruiting more High School students to play flag football. John has about 10-12 High School students interested already.

3. Facilities Report-Greta

- a. Greta reported on a facility use proposal to the committee for all Readington Township fields.
- b. There was a discussion on changes that should and should not be made from last facility usage.
- c. A few new added rules:
 1. Fee Based on specific requirements of sport by discretion of Recreation Director.
 2. There will be a refundable deposit of \$200.00 for every tournament/activity for clean up and will be given back after park is checked by township employees next morning.
 3. Everyone will send 2 checks -1 for Field usage and another for deposit (not be cashed unless fields are a mess).
 4. It will state that the contract can be terminated and any cancellations will be done within 48 hours of time they were contracted for.
 5. Make a statement about municipality recycle.
- d. Greta will make changes and email everyone to critique it and then it will go the Township Committee for approval of new ordinance
- e. Once complete and approved the registration form and ordinance will be posted on website.

4. Fimbel Door Update--Greta is waiting on some information and it will be discussed at next meeting.

5. Lacrosse Girls Program where we are

- a. Angie and Ken have been unable to meet so far about the program.
- b. Angie plans on running the program on Mondays and Saturdays
- c. Greta will contact Angie for details and Ken is forwarding all girls questions to Angie

- d. Ken has set up a schedule for all boys' lacrosse teams and hope to start this weekend with a parent meeting and possible practice

6. JORBA--- Mark and Linda

- a. They gave PRLA a nice presentation at March's meeting on bike trails.
- b. They are a mountain bike organization that develops trails and improves trails for bikes
- c. They asked them to go to the Trail Association and work with them
- d. They would do trails for us at no cost except ask for a few volunteers and allow mountain bikers ride on these trails regardless of where they are from

7. March Madness Tournament Report

Greta reported we made \$39,700.00 this year for the Komen Breast Cancer.

- 1. Donna Patrick, President of Izod donated \$30,000.00
- 2. Silent Auction brought in \$300.00 and Shoot for the Cure \$1,800.00
- 3. Door \$5400.00 and Hoops Hut-\$1100.00

8. Softball Clinic change of plans.

Greta will working on organizing this with Diamond Nation. She will email us with details.

9. 2nd Grade Basketball Evaluations

- a. Everyone reviewed evaluations and decided that there is a need to have a list of a director's responsibility to be given to them to follow.
- b. The 9 evaluations overall response was positive with lack of some organization.

F. New Business

1. AED's

- a. Greta met with Scott, Joel, Scott, and Mary Ann from Heart Smart at the parks to determine how many and where we could put AED's in all our parks and if it is possible
- b. The problem with putting them in parks how do we prevent vandalism??
- c. Greta explained they were alarmed but who would hear them in the park if it is empty.
- d. The boxes would be mounted in a heart shaped weather proof box.
- e. John explained (at least in commercial buildings) a doctor's prescription is required for each device, and that a fully-documented program with oversight is required.
- f. Greta was suggesting we buy one each for Summer Road, Hillcrest and Pickell Parks.
- g. After some discussion and many questions unanswered it was decided that Greta would get her to come to our next meeting and answer all our questions and concerns.

2. School Situation Serious

There was a brief discussion on the school budgets being cut and it was decided that Greta will draft a letter of concern about our programs and send it out to committee for approval.

3. April 17th Fun Day Official Opening Day of Spring Sports

Greta told everyone about the volunteers' tables at the fun day.

4. New Member

Greta asked for any suggestions for new members.

It was decided we would spread the word of an opening and Greta will advertise it.

5. Amy Manning-Wilderness Program \$180 @Dobo Farm

Greta passed around a flyer that went out to everyone about 2 Nature programs for kids.

It is posted on website. It is costing recreation nothing. Amy Manning is from Rutgers.

6. PRLA and Recreation Table at Memorial Day.

Linda reported Melissa and John have volunteered to help man the Recreation table.

Linda is looking for volunteers to help with the PRLA table.

H. Other Business

1. Tennis Courts

- a. Sharon reported the conditions of the tennis courts are unsafe and need a lot of work.
- b. Greta called the company said we are the first on the list to fix once the weather breaks.

2. Golf-Jeff & John

- a. They want to start an adult-child golf league.

- b. It would start in May and go for 16 weeks. Everyone must do at least 10 weeks.
- c. They would put together teams and they would golf 2 teams together.
- d. Everyone can golf when they and the other team can get together.
- e. The program would cost \$25.00 and we would charge \$10.00 to join.
- f. Charge \$10.00 for each team to be used for prizes.
- g. Everyone keeps score and there is a handicap for everyone

3. Tree Farm

- a. Linda reported there will be a tree farm and we will grow small trees to use in our parks.
- b. It is located at the Dobozyński Farm
- c. Coldwell Bankers wants to become involved in the oxygen project. Linda is looking for suggestions
 - E-mail her if anyone has any suggestions.

I. **Closing** Next meeting will to be held on April 28th at the Municipal Building at 7:30 PM
Mark made the motion: ***The Recreation meeting is adjourned at 9:43 P.M. on March 24th, 2010.*** Ken seconded it. All were in favor

Minutes were taken by Patricia Marcine Recording Secretary on March 24th, 2010

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Minutes were corrected on April 27, 2010.