

Readington Recreation Minutes

April 28th, 2010

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

B. Attendance:

1. Committee Attendance: Melissa Adams, Sharon Bobnar, Ken Groel, John Hunt, Jeff Kane, Bill Quinn, Mark Toman
2. Township Officials: Tom Auriemma Greta Kenney, Patti Marcine, Jill Harris
3. Guests: Rose Dix, Mary Ann Villone, JoAnne Babbitt

C. Minutes Approval:

1. Mark made a Motion: *The minutes from the March 24th, 2010 Recreation Meeting is approved.*
Jeff seconded the motion. All were in favor.

D. Correspondence: None

E. Old Business

1. NFL Website and Pay Pal-Greta

- a. Flag Football will use the NFL website and go to: readingtonfootball.nflflag.com
- b. Greta is working with Vita on the pay pal and hopefully will be done shortly
- c. John reported it will be set up where everyone signs up online and Patti can get the information she needs to make sure all registered and paid.
- d. The cheerleading program that cheered for flag football has lost its leaders. Patti will put in newsletter and on list serv and in Readington News asking for new leadership.

2. AED Maryann from Heart Smart

- a. Joanne and Mary Ann gave a very informative presentation about AED's in Parks. Joanne and Mary Ann stated that both the American Red Cross and the American Heart Association are supportive of the installation of these type of units for parks.
- b. Mary Ann explained how Chatham has them in all fields.
- c. Greta, Scott, Scott, Joel, JoAnne, MaryAnn went to 4 parks to determine how many AED's our parks need. The recommendation of the group was 10 AED's..
 1. The cost estimate was \$2,000 per AED which includes the unit, pole, and case. 1.
 2. Cost Battery to be replaced every 4 years for \$130-140.00
 3. Pads need to be replaced every 2 years at \$90.00 per set. (\$45.00 each)
 4. Maryann would send emails to us reminding us it is time to check it completely over about once a month.
- d. The pelican case was demonstrated as a recommended case to use that was a waterproof and safe.
- e. The Federal Law of Immunity from Civil Offense must meet certain guidelines.
 1. Certified in CPR & Usage of AED
 2. Reads Prescription
 3. Medicine oversight (Appropriate training)
 - 4 Follows Rules and Procedures
 5. The Defibrillators are updated
 6. The training consists of American Heart, Red Cross or Safety Council and it is recommended an annual review for everyone.
- f. The big question is: Who will be in charge of weekly testing to make sure it is working?
- g. There was a discussion about AED's in the Parks.
 1. How many can we afford to buy? All agreed we must put them all in at once so one park is more liable than the other.
 2. How much money from the foundation is available?
 3. Should we include all our facilities with AED's to cover ourselves?
 4. What can we afford? And what kind of fund raisers could we have to buy these.
 5. Who will take charge and who will be able to use them???
 6. Had did Chatham handle getting their AED's ????

7. Who would be in charge for a weekly checkup???
8. Greta will call Chatam and see how they handled their AED's
- 9 Greta will do some research on this matter before going any further with this project.
10. Greta asked anyone with any questions or ideas about the AED have to email them to her.
- h. The FDA regulates all AED's by using serial numbers to identify where they are all located.

3. Fimbel Door Update—Greta

Greta talked with him and he showed that he had some more possible locations for us to use.
Greta will try to get in touch with him for more details.

4. School Situation

- a. Greta met with Vita and Stefanie Joe about the energy cost for us to use the schools.
- b. Greta was told the custodians were going on a 4 day a week schedule for summer; therefore we needed to hire a custodian to open the schools for us this summer on Fridays.
- c. After some discussion it was suggested to Greta to go see Stefanie Joe again with Vita about getting an itemized bill for our usage of the facilities.

5. Facilities cost report-Greta

- a. Greta went over the facility use proposal for all Readington Township fields.
The township is short on help with the grounds which leads to problems on weekends with tournaments-There is no one to work overtime to reline fields for Sunday.
- b. The committee was sent this proposal ahead of time to read it and the changes suggested were:
To be more specific about the refundable deposit

6. April 17th Fun Day Report-Patti

Patti reported the weather was windy and cold but everyone seemed to have a good time and we gave away about 300 hot dogs and shirts.

7. Softball Clinic change of plans.

- a. Greta reported the clinic seems to be going well and she put 5-7 grades at Hillcrest Park on Tuesday nights different field for 3-4 grades take opposite days.
- b. Bill Suggested that Diamond could send out the agenda before that day so the coaches could go over the lesson of that day beforehand and so they will remember.
Greta will call and speak with Lisa.
- c. It was also suggested that there be a coaches and players clinic on just Pitching.
It is a weak area to teach and some coaches would like a little guidance.

8. New Member

- a. The committee needs a new member as a second alternate to replace Bill Keefe.
- b. Rose Dix came to the meeting to introduce herself and said she would be interested.
- c. It was decided to advertise for the position in the newsletter and Readington News for June and see if anyone responses for the position.

9. Golf League-where are we?

- a. It will run from May 30 Sunday to August 15th -12 weeks
- b. It will be held at Green Knoll Par 3-Pitch n Put
- c. No experience necessary and there will be a handicap
- d. It is for an adult (family member) and child
- e. Cost is \$10.00 Registration and the cost would be \$8.00-\$10.00/round,
- f. Advertisements will go out in Readington News, Recreation newsletter and List serv and on our website.

10. School Situation- see #4

11. Lacrosse up date-Ken

- a. This past Saturday night it was youth lacrosse night at Hunterdon Central. Unfortunately Readington lacrosse was not informed about it and when attended was not received well.
- b. The High School needs to recognize Readington Lacrosse so Ken will contact Paul Tarantiles about who he speaks to and also see who runs the booster club. Ken will also check with Mike Vergalito, head lacrosse coach.

- c. Ken found a great store to buy lacrosse equipment in Raritan called Universal Lacrosse on Route 206 near Stop n Shop. They gave us a 5% discount for personal purchases.
- d. Looking ahead Ken requested more full sized fields for 2011 season. It would be nice to have 2-3 fields to use in one spot rather than having every one in all different places.
- e. Ken reported still no garbage cans at Holland Brook School fields and the playground was full of garbage Saturday morning before they even started playing.

F. New Business

1. Jim Rohl Scholar Athlete Selection

There was a discussion on the candidates that Greta had emailed the committee. There were many good candidates this year so it was decided to give \$500.00 each to two males and two females. The names were chosen and Greta will give the awards to them at the High School awards ceremony.

2. New Netting for Hillcrest 1 Softball Field

It Cost \$10,000 for the netting and Greta will contact outside service to put it up as we don't have the equipment to put up a fence that high.

3. Ultra meet Frisbee Club

Ted Dames is starting this club at Cornhuskers Park.

It is a team sport where you push the Frisbee down the line from one side to another.

Cost will be \$5.00 or \$10.00 and will be open to all adults and children.

4. Basketball Coaches Selection

Greta reported all the evaluations she received about the coaches were good.

Patti will put in newsletter and Readington News and on website asking for applications.

H. Other Business

1. Tennis Courts

- a. Greta called the company said we are the first on the list to fix once the weather breaks and she has called them again and they still haven't come out to fix them. She is going to send out a township letter stating they need to fix this now. It is still under warranty. We need to know why it is falling apart in less than 1 year of being fixed.

2. Movie Night

It was suggested we do one in July maybe during one of our softball tournaments and many of the kids would come. Make sure it is appropriate for all ages. Suggestion was a softball/baseball one.

3. Bowling League

Patti is looking into starting a bowling league for 7th & 8th graders to do in summer and winter.

She has spoke with Rob from Washington Leagues and he is willing to work with us on this.

In the winter we could have it Saturday Afternoons from 1:00-3:00 from January-April.

In the summer we could have it an evening.

The committee thought it was a good idea so Patti will go forward with it and bring details for next meeting.

I. Closing Next meeting will to be held on May 26th at the Municipal Building at 7:30 PM

Mark made the motion: *The Recreation meeting is adjourned at 10:25 P.M. on April 28th, 2010.* John seconded it. All were in favor

Minutes were taken by Patricia Marcine Recording Secretary on April 28th, 2010

Minutes were written by Patricia Marcine, Recording Secretary, on May 3, 2010.

Minutes were corrected by Patricia Marcine on May 10th, 2010

