

Mendham Township Recreation Commission

October 3, 2017

CALL TO ORDER – Meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM

ROLL CALL

Clare Button – Present

Amalia Duarte, Vice Chair – Present

Evan Thomas - Present

Steve Eisenstein, Recreation Director – Present

Deborah Bonanno, Township Administrator – Present

The following were absent: Diane Tolley, Warren Gisser, Megan Sager

FLAG SALUTE

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES – There was a motion by Amalia Duarte with a second by Clare Button to accept the minutes of September 5, 2017 with the condition of adding a line regarding Amalia stating her interest to serve on the Ad Hoc Committee. Minutes were accepted by unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS

Brookside Beach was discussed with the absence of Janet Wood. Resident Peter Dumovic was present and inquired about a projected plan for capital requests and requested membership expectations be included. Steve will be able to distribute the financial numbers of the 2017 season to the commission.

Movie in the Park is all set for Friday, October 6. Schiff Preserve will be selling popcorn and the Mendham Creamery will be selling ice cream. The screen from Chester Township was more of an intimate screen so we had to rent one from NJ Backyard Movies.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made on the following the Capital Budget requests: \$80,000 for the Ralston Playground as a match to the current funds raised; Funding for an improved track at Ralston Park and paving of the Ralston parking lot. Steve will meet with DPW Supervisor regarding possible costs. A motion was made by Clare Button and second by Amalia Duarte. Motion passed with unanimous vote.

At the request of the HSA the Middle School Dance will be held on Friday, November 3 from 7:00-9:30 at the middle school. The Recreation Commission will charge for admission and provide the DJ while the HSA will sell concession to benefit the 8th grade trip and provide some chaperones.

Ski program will now offer just one membership fee of \$315 for all 5 trips or a fee of \$105 for individual trips.

Amalia suggested a program to recognize some volunteer coaches who display outstanding qualities of serving as a volunteer coach. Some discussion was had as to the procedure for where nominations would come from and the way the recipients would be given their awards. It was decided that members would think of suggestions and bring for discussion at next month's meeting.

Evan alerted the commission that comedian Jim Brewer offered his services to do a show as a fundraiser strictly for the playground. Those details would come soon. In addition, it was determined that donated funds of \$10,000 from a previous fundraiser held by Mr. Brewer should be distributed as \$5,000 to the Playground and \$5,000 to the Brookside Beach.

Clare Button made a motion to close, second by Evan Thomas. All were in favor. Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 p.m.