

## **Mendham Township Recreation Commission**

November 17, 2017

**CALL TO ORDER** – Meeting was called to order at 3:36 PM

### **ROLL CALL**

Clare Button – Present

Diane Tolley, Chair - Present

Amalia Duarte, Vice Chair – Present

Evan Thomas - Present

Steve Eisenstein, Recreation Director – Present

Deborah Bonanno, Township Administrator – Present

Warren Gisser, Twp. Committee Liaison - Present

The following were absent: Megan Sager

### **FLAG SALUTE**

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES** – Minutes were tabled in order to be sure proper corrections were made to the September minutes.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Discussion took place regarding the Volunteer Coach Award program. Parameters will continue to be discussed as to the specific details surrounding the awards such as who is eligible and who can submit the nominations.

Warren questioned if Thank You letters were sent to those who purchased bricks for the playground campaign. Diane stated she will take care of it with the West Morris Junior Women's Club.

Operating budget was discussed. Warren recommended providing a total of money raised from the buy a brick campaign. There was a discussion on removing the request of funds for the roof repair of the storage sheds at Brookside beach. Regarding the 2018 Brookside Beach proposal it was stated that one additional lifeguard needed to be on duty during the weekday hours for the general public. Still will address that change and reconfigure the proposal.

Steve provided updates on programs. Ski program currently at 40 registrants, Smart Sitter sold out at 22, Middle School Dance had 70 participants and the Scary Story Contest winners were announced. Grade 3 – Matthew Cantasano, Grade 5 – Cian McGuire & Lillian Reynolds, Grade 6 – Ryan Raimondo. The trip to American Museum of Natural History scheduled for Dec. 2 had to be canceled due to lack of registration.

### **OPEN DISCUSSION**

Warren started a conversation regarding the future of the Recreation Commission. He explained the thought process of the Twp. Committee. He expressed his interest in having the members of the commission be a part of the discussion on the issue moving forward. The commission as a whole expressed their feelings of dissatisfaction as to the how it was presented at the Township Committee meeting.

Clare Button made a motion to close, second by Evan Thomas. All were in favor. Meeting Adjourned at 6:04 p.m.