

Borough of Park Ridge

Recreation and Cultural Committee

Meeting Minutes – October 16, 2023

Attendance: The following were present at this meeting: Kelly Epstein, Rob Nicolich, Rosemary Happ, Paul Wharton, Lori Bettini, Laurie Wharton, Carolee Chirico, Michael Raia, Maureen Howell, Austin Baxter, Bob La Rubbio, Dean Scaduto, Marissa Ekback, Liz Falkenstern (Recreation Director) and Council Liaison Greg Hoffman

Review of Previous Minutes:

Minutes were approved by a motion of Rob N. and seconded by Laurie W.

Old Business

1. Review of Oktoberfest: Food donation from Shoprite was great, band was ok but need music to play in between breaks, TV was not worth effort to put up, Beer choices were good, chicken tenders worked out that were donated by the Ridge Diner, had a lot of Pretzels left over (weather was not great though), want to continue working with the Elks in the future.
2. Supper Club event was 10/1: Event was enjoyed by all attendees.
3. We need to do a Shed clean out and need storage containers for next year. Liz F. will order.
4. Town wide Garage Sale recap: Despite rain went well, maybe add another weekend and some signs for homes that participate? Have a rain date next year? Thanks to Carolee C.
5. Ragamuffin Parade: 12 large pumpkins received, need more for prizes. We will order 100 sugar pumpkins to be delivered with hay bales. Set up stage prior to 3pm. Need help starting at 1:30 pm. DJ can set up sound system. Donuts need to be picked up.
6. Need to move BB hoops into the shed for winter
7. Tree lighting Sun December 3rd. Rain date December 9th.
8. Men's and Woman's Basketball/Volleyball has begun on Monday nights. 8-10pm

New Business

1. Can we train people to set up sound system before next major event? Some members are willing to learn.

Motion to close: Official meeting closed at 8:35PM by Mike R. 2nd by Laurie W. Discussions continued.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kelly Epstein
Park Ridge Recreation and Cultural Committee – Secretary