

Borough of Park Ridge
Minutes of the Recreation and Cultural Committee
April 18, 2016
7:30 PM

Present at Meeting:

Doug Salvi, Michael Raia, Michael Shenloogian, Eugene McVerry, Bob Fornatale, Tom Hoskins, Rob Nicolich, Cheryl Shaw, Ray Mital, Richard Bosi, Matt Capilli, Ira Rosen, Paul Wharton, Liz Falkenstern

(Guests- Ashley Arroyo-Asst. Director- Day Camp, Leah Sinisi, Asst. Director-Day Camp, Phil Wells-President- Rotary)

We had a "Meet & Greet" with coffee and cookies to meet our new members at 7 PM

Review of Previous Minutes:

The meeting began at 7:32 PM and the Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved by a motion of Paul W. and seconded by Mike R.

New Business

CAMP-Cheryl S. introduced the 2 new assistant camp directors to the group. She said the camp budget looks good for 2016 and they are looking forward to a great season!

CAR SHOW-Ray M. reported the profits of the Car Show will go to the Park Ridge Police Reserves. He has spoken to Michele Mitula of the Chamber of Commerce regarding trophy sponsorship. Ira R. will follow up on the trophies to be issued. Ray will get more judges. Jason R. got 24 buckets of car detailing products to hand out. The DJ is set for the Car Show. Liz F. will call B&M to get price for 200 hot dogs and 200 rolls. It was decided to order pizza and sell waters. Liz F. will check to see if pizza can be ordered in the thermal bags to keep hot and we will return them after the event. Ray M. will contact Pete W. to blow off the parking lot. Rich B. will try to get the street sweeper in pool lot. It was suggested to park in the lower lot on the other side of the field. Tom Bauer will have the bathrooms clean. The yellow tape will be put up for Friday night and everyone should meet at the pool at 7 pm to help set up. Liz F. will send reminder email.

OCTOBERFEST PLANNING- Phil Wells, President of PR Rotary spoke about the desire of Rotary to joining the Rec Committee to co-sponsor an Octoberfest with us. Michael R discussed a possible menu of bratwurst, knockwurst, hotdogs, kraut, rolls, pretzels from Rockland Bakery...We may also look into getting the man from Teaneck who does the pig roasts and Louis G's to possibly bring his ice cream truck. Future discussions to follow after Town Picnic. It will be necessary to get a social affair permit to have beer and possibly hard cider...more discussion to follow after the Town Picnic. The possible date is 10/15 (2-6 pm) with a rain date of 10/16 at the Commuter parking lot if possible. Liz F. will call Vozza to see if we need special insurance for the day, etc...

SUMMER CONCERTS- All bands/groups were approved as follows: 8/4- No Discipline Reggae Band I; 8/11-Tim Gysin Show; 8/18- Cover Bridge Acoustic Duo; 8/25- No Discipline Reggae Band II.

TOWN PICNIC- We will be having detailed Picnic meetings before the event with the Elks rep, Dan Gillies to discuss food for Picnic. 1st meeting to be 5/2. We are still waiting for new insurance requirements from both the Ride and Fireworks vendors for Vozza Insurance Co. Liz F. is sending out sponsor letters to all Park Ridge businesses and also to popular businesses in surrounding towns. We need to get a date to walk around town to businesses as has been done in the past with Paul S.

A motion was made by Paul W. and seconded by Mike R. relating to the USSI money we will receive from the pre-school sports and spring break camp and a unanimous vote to earmark the monies received for the trust account of the future Town Picnic/Fireworks events.

GOLF SHIRTS- It was decided by the Committee to order golf shirts in the polyester blend shown at previous meeting from Howard Post-Graphically Speaking as this was the best price/quality. We will need to get the sizes of our active members and will order shirts in maroon that are embroidered, "Park Ridge Recreation."

Old Business:

Egg Hunt recap: The 2016 Egg Hunt was very successful and we had a record crowd! We had some complaints about parents being in the pre-k area and next year and it was discussed to work on expanding the area for the smaller children next year. Liz F. will send Community Service letters to all the PRHS students that helped at the event.

Zumba program is going well in the Community Center on Saturday morning from 8-9 AM.

Agenda and Time of the Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be Monday, May 16, 2016 at 7:30 in the Community Center. THIS IS OUR LAST REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING BEFORE TOWN PICNIC! Agenda for the next meeting will be:

Town Picnic Sponsors
Town Picnic Non-profit Sponsors
Town Picnic-obtain new sponsors
Town Picnic menu from Elks and senior discount voucher
Town Picnic- form sub-committees
Town Picnic Meetings scheduled for Monday, May 23 and Thursday, June 2nd at 730 in Community Center
Fireworks Concert- set up of stage
Fireworks Show-need to discuss clean-up of field after event!
Car Show Rain-date

More Town Picnic and any topics that need more discussion! ☺

Meeting was adjourned at 850 PM by Michael R. and seconded by Paul W.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Liz Falkenstern

