

OCEANPORT RECREATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
October 11, 2017

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Oceanport Recreation Committee held on
Wednesday evening, October 11, 2017, Blackberry Bay Park Building

In attendance: Members:
 Jay Silverman
 Greg Lockwood
 Paul Hester
 Mike MacStudy
 Sheila Harrigan
 Spencer Carpenter
 Joanne Hunt
 Kyle Sheridan
 Steve Solan
 Therese Wollman

Absent: Mike Schneider
 Beth Watkins

Open Meeting/Flag Salute

Meeting called to order by Jay Silverman at 7:30pm. Motion to open the meeting was made by Therese Wollman and seconded by Greg Lockwood.

Approval of Minutes

September 2017 minutes were conditionally approved pending Committee review of page 2 which did not print correctly. As of November 1, no changes have been identified. In a motion made by Sheila Harrigan and seconded by Mike MacStudy, the minutes were approved- all were in favor.

Correspondence:

Joanne Hunt reported that there were have been numerous emails and Facebook posts regarding the Summer's End festival and the fireworks. Therese Wollman is working on thank you notes to all business sponsors.

Recreation Report:

September movie was a big success. Suggestion to keep movie as the same night as Scout campout was agreed upon.

New signs are helping to spread the word.

In report- PTO should read "8th grade"- regarding snacks- not having them is not a big deal. This will vary depending on year and leadership so we can check for 2018.

Discussion re: Halloween:

Bags need to be stuffed. Joanne will get candy, Sheila will add fillers.

Joanne will secure all prizes, police, bull horn

Greg Lockwood- water

The decision was made to add pretzels and serve pretzels and munchkins

Order signs and place 10/1

Mike MacStudy will MC and Sheila will secure judges.

Field Revenue to Date: \$9265.00
Boat Permits to Date: \$6600.00
Field Requests: None

Council Liaison Report:

Steve Solan reported that the Veterans Day celebration will be at Maple Place. He also reported that the Recreation Committee needs to consider a “wish” list for the new park property which will be at the Fort adjacent to the new Boro Hall.

No closeouts have been received- these are the Open Space payouts that we are waiting for.

Steve Solan also noted that the plan is to keep on schedule for re doing tennis and basketball courts by spring to ensure that the problems don't become worse and therefore more expensive to repair.

Public Comments: Motion to open the meeting to public made by Greg Lockwood and seconded Mike MacStudy at 8:19 pm. As there was no one from the public present, a motion was made by Therese Wollman and seconded by Sheila Harrigan to close the meeting to the public at 8:19 pm.

Subcommittee Reports:

Subcommittee & Officer Review Panel- Therese Wollman- No report

Sonny Giordano Award- Greg Lockwood- No report

Nominations- Spencer Carpenter- No report, but Mike MacStudy and Jay Silverman reminded Joanne Hunt to check on terms for current members. November will be the month to discuss nominations.

Memorial Day Parade Committee- No report

Summer's End- Jay Silverman- No report

Halloween- Sheila Harrigan- previously reported

Tree Lighting- Kyle Sheridan, no report. The Committee reminded Kyle to secure firehouse and sound system.

Egg Scramble- Beth Watkins, not present, no report

Decorating Contest- Mike Schneider, no present, no report

Grants/ Master Plan/Park Improvement –Joanne Hunt reported that the subcommittee met prior to the regular meeting. See report below.

Movies- Therese Wollman -previously discussed.

Mini Golf- Mike MacStudy, no report

Music/Bocce- Paul Hester, no report

Grants/ Master Plan/Park Improvement :

Jay Silverman and Joanne Hunt tasked the sub-committee with setting a priority list for park improvement.

1. Community Center courts and pavement- previously listed by Ray Poerio as action item
2. Safety surfacing- this is a Committee priority
3. Basketball fence at BBB- previously listed by Ray Poerio as action item
4. Evergreen
5. Trinity

Steve Solan stated that Committee needs to be aware that reimbursements have not yet been received but that paving and court repair will move forward and the new park at Boro Hall at the Fort must be considered. Much of this work will be financed through bonds.

In terms of Open Space grants, Steve Solan and Jay Silverman led the discussion on phased projects for the new property at the Fort. Phase 1 was awarded, Phase 2 is under review and the 2018 grant, phase 3 will be submitted next year (subject to change). Joanne Hunt agreed that multi-phase projects have generally been well received.

Mike MacStudy expressed concern that we need to have a comprehensive 10 year plan to guide the Committee. The old plan was essential to the grants for Gatta and Charles. While a plan is expensive- a priority list to guide direction is critical.

The Committee will meet again in January and gauge where we are in terms of payouts and scheduled work on tennis courts, paving and plans for safety surface. The next step will be to provide input for new park as well as priorities for Evergreen and Trinity.

Finance Report/ Update – Greg Lockwood

Greg Lockwood reported that all sport groups have been notified to request funds. All agreed that we need to review where we are with spending and plan for expenses needed through end of fiscal year.

Old Business:

Bench Program: Mike MacStudy- It was suggested that the information regarding the benches go out in the December bulletin.

2018 Open Space/Park Improvement- previously discussed

New Business:

BBB restroom- Joanne Hunt reported that there were complaints about the cleanliness of the BBB restroom. The Committee discussed the cleaning schedule and Steve Solan will raise the issue to Council.

Other:

Jay Silverman opened the discussion of the roller hockey rink as an eyesore that is no longer used. He would like the Committee to consider possible uses and asked Steve Solan to find out what the future plans are regarding this space.

Adjourn: Motion made by Kyle Sheridan and seconded Therese Wollman to close the meeting at 9:10 pm. Next meeting November 8, 2017, 7:30 pm. Spencer Carpenter refreshments.

Note: Joanne Hunt will be away the week the week of the Teacher's Convention and will call into the meeting. Documents will be delivered to Jay Silverman in advance for distribution.

Respectfully Submitted By: Joanne Hunt