

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2004, AT 7:00 P.M.

**BOARD OF RECREATION
RIDGEFIELD PARK, NEW JERSEY
OCTOBER 21, 2004**

President Diane Maglione called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., it having been duly noted that this meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., notice of which was sent to The Record on the 29th day of December, 2003, and to the Star-Ledger on the 29th day of December, 2003. Roll call was taken. Commission members present were: Diane Maglione, Hal Bomzer, Rich DePena, Mercedes Haines, Catherine Jacob, Mary Koegel, Leigh Rivera and Frank Zaccherio. Tom Essig was excused.

A motion was made by Leigh Rivera and seconded by Rich DePena approving the minutes of the September 14, 2004, meeting.

Correspondence: A resignation letter was received from Catherine Jacob effective January 1, 2005, due to increasing personal responsibilities. There is a meeting scheduled for 7:30 p.m. tonight with the Mayor and Board of Commissioners concerning the fields. Hal Bomzer, Rich DePena and Frank Zaccherio will attend the meeting.

Hearing of Citizens: None present.

Activity reports were as follows:

Bowling – No new information at this time.

Wrestling – Diane Maglione advised that she had met with Tony Gonzalez. He will be handling the paperwork this year and has someone new to run the actual program. He also gave Diane the following information:

Registration: Oct. 26th and Oct 28th 6-7 P.M. HS Auxiliary gym

RP and LF residents

Brd Of Rec is open to grades up to 6th. 7th and 8th graders fall under the HS/Brd of Ed \$25.00 fee

First Practice: Dec 6th 6-8:15 P.M. Birth Certificate is required. We need to have a board member at registration.

Diane needs to speak to Rich DePena about the cost of getting the mat refurbished.

T-Ball – No activity at this time.

Girls' Softball – No activity at this time.

Summer Sandlot Baseball Program – The program went well. There is still some activity going on in the fall.

Women's Softball – No activity at this time.

Fourth of July – No activity at this time.

Easter Egg Hunt – Diane Maglione ran into Jim from IGA, who said that if the Board wanted to order candy this year they would stop in now to place the order.

Holiday Display Contest – No activity at this time.

Wish Tree – No activity at this time. Kaitlyn Maglione will be doing this as her community service project. Each child will have two ornaments as some people requested an ornament last year and there were none left.

Tree Lighting – The tree lighting is scheduled for Sunday, December 5. Mercedes Haines has contacted everyone to advise them of the date and time. Diane Maglione said she would notify the police. This year the high school chorus will perform before the tree lighting.

Rag-A-Muffin – The parade is scheduled for Saturday, October 30 at 11:00 a.m. Notices have been sent out to the schools. The trophies are ready. There are 500 goodie bags to be distributed. The DPW and Police have been notified. Members need to meet at 9:00 a.m. Diane Maglione and Frank Zaccherio will be unable to attend and Mercedes Haines and Hal Bomzer will arrive later. Diane will supply the music and Mercedes will bring a cassette player.

Adult Trips/Activities – Frank Zaccherio is currently running a Nets game for November 6, 2004. Tickets are \$20.00 each (\$25 savings).

Basketball – Evaluations will take place at Lincoln School on November 1 and 2.

Members will help out on the following dates for evaluations:

Monday, November 1 (6PM – Boys 3/4 & 5/6) – Mercedes Haines, Hal Bomzer, Rich DePena, Leigh Rivera, Tom Essig

Tuesday, November 2 (6PM – Girls 3/4, 5/6, 7/8 & Boys 7/8) Mercedes Haines, Hal Bomzer, Rich DePena, Leigh Rivera, Tom Essig

Reminder letters along with the rules and letter to be signed and returned by parents will go out this weekend. There are very few girls signed up for the clinic and third grade division so next year adjustments might have to be made in the divisions.

The equipment was ordered and delivered directly to the DPW until the season starts. The new backboards have been installed at Roosevelt School. The backboards were supposed to be moved three feet but they were not. The foul line also was not moved.

Leigh Rivera advised that Richie Solano has not received his \$90 check for scorekeeper/timer. The Board will check with the Clerk's Office on this.

The Rutger's Safety Clinic will be held at Lincoln School on November 29th beginning at 6:45 p.m.

Tennis – Barry Rubach (568-3946) runs this program.

Treasurer's Report - The current balance is \$11,699.35.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 18, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara DeLuca

cc: Commissioner Storer