

**NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2014, at 7:00 P.M.**

**BOARD OF RECREATION  
RIDGEFIELD PARK, NEW JERSEY  
OCTOBER 16, 2014**

Vice President Mary Koegel called the meeting to order at 7:15 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 published in The Record on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of January 2014, and sent to the Star Ledger on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of January 2014. Roll call was taken. Commission members present were: Jimmy Coloma, Tom Essig, Mercedes Haines, Mary Koegel and David Urbay. Diane Maglione, Hal Bomzer, Lloyd Domke, Scott Garris, Kaitlyn Maglione, Mike Ruiz and Tom Strowbridge were excused.

The minutes of the September 11, 2014, meeting could not be approved as there was not a quorum.

**Correspondence:** none received

**Hearing of Citizens:** None present.

Activity reports were as follows:

**Bowling** – Nothing to report.

**Wrestling** – Registration will take place at the Ridgefield Park Jr/Sr High School Auxiliary Gym on October 22 & October 29 from 6pm-7pm. There is a separate parent group that is doing fundraising for the program. John Tymon advised the Board to send info on when EMTs are needed for meets directly to his house and he will make sure there is coverage. Mary Koegel advised that she has not heard anything from Coach Uly Encarnacion yet. Flyers were distributed in the school.

**Girls' Softball** – No activity at this time.

**Women's Softball** – Trophies came in and Peggy Schneider has them. Bella Wagner will be running the party but the Board has not heard from her yet.

**Fourth of July** – No activity at this time.

**Easter Egg Hunt** – No activity at this time.

**Holiday Display Contest** – The plates are in and will be distributed after the judging ends. The contest will be held on December 19 this year. Registrations are due December 18.

**Wish Tree** – Kaitlyn Maglione has spoken to Kathy Tobin of the Welfare Department. The tags will be dropped off November 28 and gifts will be due on December 12.

**Tree Lighting** – The girl scouts have confirmed they will be singing this year. Everyone has been contacted. It is Roosevelt School's turn to participate. The sound system has been ordered. Mercedes Haines will get in touch with Santa and 7-11. Soloists are confirmed

**Rag-A-Muffin** – The parade will be held on Saturday, October 25, 2014, at 11:00 a.m. with a rain date on Sunday, October 26, 2014, at 2:00 p.m. All participants should meet at the corner of Euclid Avenue and Hobart Street, no later than 10:30 a.m. Candy is ready for the parade. Scott Garris has the trophies and they are ready for the parade. Flyers went out in the schools. The high school was asked for community service students. A memo was sent to the DPW and the Police Dept. Snacks will be provided for the members and DPW. The girls scouts and boy scouts were also contacted as last year they volunteered to assist. Members should meet at about 9:00 a.m.

**Adult Trips/Activities** – The Board is looking into running a program similar to Biggest Loser. The Spa at Glenpointe is looking into how to set up the program and run it for the Board.

**Adult Craft Classes** – No activities at this time.

**Basketball** – Hal Bomzer was unable to attend the meeting due to a mandatory referee's meeting but sent in his report as follows:

Numbers as of 10/16:

clinic 31 (only 4 girls)

3/4B 41

5/6 B 64

7/8B 43

3/4/5G 39

6/7/8G only 26

Division heads:

Clinic: Scott Garris

3/4/5/ Girls John Pesler (new)

6/7/8 girls Tom Strowbridge

3/4 Boys unfilled as of now. Jimmy Coloma to speak to someone this weekend

5/6 boys: Jimmy Coloma

7/8 boys: David Urbay

Division head meeting to take place week of 10/27 after all positions filled

Hackensack travel basketball is having a meeting on 10/20 to discuss upcoming season. Hal cannot attend, but David will be going in his place to represent RP REC travel.

The scoreboard controller in Roosevelt was malfunctioning often last year. Hal recently picked it up from the school and will look into replacement.

Evaluations are scheduled for Mon 11/3 and Wed 11/5 at Lincoln School. Hal will need as much help as possible, especially Wednesday. He will need volunteers 6:00 pm on Monday and 5:30 pm on Wednesday.

There have been three bounced checks that the Board is trying to get reimbursed for.

Diane Maglione has not heard back from Matt McArow regarding the background checks.

Captain Hippe has previously informed the Board that a Village ordinance was needed in order to do background checks but Commissioner MacNeill said the Board could run them on their own but he did not provide the Board with a system to do so. The Board would need some type of administrator who would be the secured keeper of the info.

Diane will not allow the Board members to be held liable for something they do not have control over. The Board will await information from Matt McArow of GJEM regarding background checks.

Diane Maglione has not heard back from Commissioner MacNeill on background checks. The Board will soon need to contact the Mayor and Board of Commissioners regarding the lack of background checks on volunteer coaches working with Village youth. The safety of the Village youth needs to be made a priority by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners. Just this week there was a story in the paper about another Ridgefield Park resident arrested for child pornography charges.

**Tennis** – Barry Ruback (568-3946) runs this program, which is taught by All Pro Tennis Staff. Barry was interested in holding outdoor lessons in the fall on Saturdays or Sundays but there were no tennis courts

available as the school holds the permit for the courts in the fall. He also was interested in holding indoor lessons but so far there has not been any place available for the lessons.

**Treasurer's Report** - Beginning balance as of September 2014 was \$32,587.48, total deposits for month were \$2,300.00, total expenses for month were \$2,234.85, leaving a balance of \$32,652.63. A detailed report is attached. There has been another bounced check. The Board is trying to get reimbursed for the checks.

**New Business** – The Board welcomed David Urbay as a member. A flyer listing a general description of all Board activities and approximate dates was distributed in the schools.

**Old Business** – The Board has sent Commissioner MacNeill information on doing background checks.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 20, 2014.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mary Koegel and seconded by Tom Essig to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara DeLuca

cc: Commissioner Adam MacNeill