

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2009, at 7:00 P.M.

**BOARD OF RECREATION
RIDGEFIELD PARK, NEW JERSEY
October 15, 2009**

Vice President Mary Koegel 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 published in The Record on the 31st day of December, 2008, and sent to the Star-Ledger on the 31st day of December, 2008. Roll call was taken. Commission members present were: Mary Koegel, Tom Essig, Gil Bell, Hal Bomzer, Mercedes Haines and Mike Ruiz. Carlos Carames, Lloyd Domke, Diane Maglione, Leigh Rivera and Frank Zaccherio were excused.

A motion was made by Mike Ruiz and seconded by Tom Essig approving the minutes of the September 17, 2009, meeting.

Correspondence: None received.

Hearing of Citizens: none present

Activity reports were as follows:

Bowling – Nothing to report. No one has seen any forms for the program.

Wrestling - Registration was held on September 29, 2009, from 6-7 p.m. at the high school auxiliary gym. Ulysses Encarnacion has remained in contact with the Board.

T-Ball – No activity at this time

Girls' Softball - No activity at this time

Summer Sandlot Baseball Program – No activity at this time.

Women's Softball – A meeting will be set up with the Executive Board and a representative from each team. Any member that wants to attend is also invited.

Fourth of July – No activity at this time.

Easter Egg Hunt – No activity at this time. Due to lack of interest, there will no longer be a poster contest..

Holiday Display Contest – Ornaments have been ordered for the prizes and personalized platters for the six grandprize winners. There will only be one

contest, which will include both residential and business entries as there are not enough businesses entering the contest. The contest will be held on Friday, December 18, 2009, this year.

Wish Tree – The Board is requesting that the names be turned in a little earlier this year so that the process can be started. It will be at TD Bank again.

Tree Lighting – The second set of risers have been delivered. A voucher has already been submitted for the sound system. Singers are in place. Everything is in place. Mercedes Haines just needs to find the correct contact for the boy scouts. Mercedes will try to remind the scouts that parents were not supposed to be in front of the building. Logistics will be discussed at a later meeting. The Board will follow last year's agenda as it seemed to work well. The DPW will be asked if they have extension cords for the lights under the tree. Mercedes will call Alan O'Grady to discuss final details. Diane Maglione is going to ask Mr. Schreiber for the correct contact for the boy scouts. The tree lighting will be on Sunday, December 6, 2009. Mercedes will make copies of the flyers. Diane will contact Santa to make arrangements. Diane will also speak with the Police Dept.

Rag-A-Muffin – The parade is scheduled for Saturday, October 31, 2009, at 11:00 a.m. sharp. Registration begins at 10:30 a.m. Members should meet about 9:00 a.m. Trophies have been ordered and will be delivered directly to Mike Ruiz so that he can make sure all trophies are in good condition. Goodie bags will be ready for the parade. The judges will get Dunkin Donuts gift cards. Letters were sent to the police dept. and DPW advising of the Board's needs. The Board will need extra hands if members have kids needing community service hours. Rain date is Sunday, November 1. The parade would start at 2:00 p.m. and registration begins at 1:30 p.m.

Adult Trips/Activities – Nothing at this time.

Ballroom Dancing – A flyer will be sent out to see if there is any interest in another ballroom dance session. The Board has received several calls from people interested in dance classes. Dance With Me Studios would be interested in doing a children's dance class as long as there are at least 10 students. Classes would run for 4 weeks and cost \$60.

Adult Craft Classes – The next session will run for three weeks and will run on Oct. 6, 13 & 20 at Roosevelt School art/music room. The cost will be \$65.00. Participants have the option of signing up for one session only for \$25.00. There will also be a one night holiday ornament workshop on December 1. The cost of this workshop is \$35.00.

Basketball – Registration was held at Roosevelt School on Friday, September 25 and Saturday, September 26. Evaluations will be November 2 (boys grades 3-6) and November 4 (all girls/boys 7& 8) at Lincoln School. Members should be

there at 6:00 p.m. Right now it looks like there can be three divisions for the girls although it is just a bare minimum right now. There will be a division head meeting on October 29 at which time they will finalize how many teams there will be and what the cut-off numbers will be at evaluation night. Official registration ends on October 25. Any registration received after October 25 will be placed on the waiting list. There will be a meeting for scorers/timers on December 2. There will also be a coach's meeting on December 2. A sign-up sheet will also be available at evaluation night.

Hal Bomzer will purchase the necessary equipment with his credit card and then get reimbursed.

There will be a discussion held at the division head meeting about crowd control on Friday nights. One suggestion is to not allow kids to enter or leave the gym while the game is going on.

Mercedes Haines questioned about how players are selected. Hal explained that the rules are set and a coach cannot pick an entire team at once. It is up to every coach in the draft room to make sure that rules are followed and teams are fairly and evenly divided. If a coach wants a particular assistant, then the coach must draft that player in order to get the assistant.

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

Treasurer's Report - Beginning balance as of September 2009, was \$23,976.61, total deposits for month were \$5,077.00 total expenses for month were \$2,054.00 for BCASU and \$1,992.00 for wrestling uniforms for a total of \$3,792.00, leaving a balance of \$25,261.61. A detailed report is attached. The only expense was for a returned check, which has been recouped. A motion was made by Hal Bomzer and seconded by Gil Bell accepting the Treasurer's report.

New Business – None at this time.

Old Business – None at this time.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 19, 2009.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Gil Bell and seconded by Mercedes Haines to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara DeLuca

cc: Commissioner Hugo Poli