2014-01-13 Recreation Regular Meeting Minutes

Brooklyn Parks and Recreation Commission

Regular Meeting

January 13, 2013

Commission members present: Mike Gaudreau, Lauren Rossi, Steve Danna, Chris Toney, Mae Lyons, Dave Guimont, and Kim Conroy

Also present: Rick Ives, First Selectman; Bucky Lohbusch, Director; Chris Boyle, Secretary

Absent: Scott Allen, and Steve Phillips

Public attended: 1

Called to Order:

7:03pm

- 1. Welcome to the new commission member Chris Toney
- 2. Approval of minutes - Regular Meeting December 9, 2013 Motion made: 1st Lauren Rossi 2nd Dave Guimont All in favor
 - 3. Approval of monthly budget reports

 Motion made: 1st Dave Guimont 2nd Lauren Rossi

 All in favor
 - 4. Motion made: to move Public Time from item 8 to item 4

1st Steve Danna 2nd Lauren Rossi All in favor

Public Time: John Newson wanted to let the commission know that the soccer league is ready to set spring dates. He finds the director easy to work with, positive and cordial. Mr. Newson is looking forward to a good working relationship with the Commission and the Director.

Dave Guimont is concerned that the Maintenance Person has to jump up into his truck to dispose of the garbage by hand due to the size of the shoot. He wears gloves but it is still unsanitary.

The Director and the First Selectman will come up with a workable solution.

5. 2014-2015 Budget Discussion

A small subcommittee will be formed to go over the budget. Overall there will be some significant changes to the budget both in expenses and revenue.

The revenue would be more than expenses. The commission is looking to add a fulltime Program director to allow Recreation programs for Preschool and Kindergarten children on half day schedules. Programs on non-school days, and this position would handle summer camp and replace the director.

A part-time seasonal Maintenance person may be added. There is still a lot of discussion pending before the final budget is presented to the full commission.

6. Capital Representative

Dave Guimont volunteered to be the Representative.

6. Program Update

Brochures will go out (printed again by the chronicle) this week
The Toy drive serviced 132 children, and 59 families
6883.00 in cash was donated
100 Santa letters
The post office had a coloring contest went very well, Mr. Ives was the judge

December 16th is the holiday lighting contest very successful Open gym averaging 30 players per night

7. Other Business

There was an ordinance change. The wording of the ordinance was changed to be clearer on renting/or sale of "real" property.

A fundraiser is being held February 8th at 6:00pm It will includes basket raffles and entertainment. Tickets are 10.00 and are available at the Recreation office. "Pitching in for Jim" proceeds will go the campership scholarship fund.

400 tickets are available

8. Adjournment 8:05 pm

Motion made: 1st Lauren Rossi 2nd Dave Guimont All in Favor