

Recreation Commission
Thursday, October 19, 2017
7:00pm

A meeting of the Recreation Commission was held Thursday, October 19, 2017 at the Youth Center located on Pike Street. The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm. The following were in attendance:

John Faggione, Director	Noleen Casey Tomasi
Dawn Jones, Vice Chair	Debbie Cunningham
Gina Fitzpatrick, Liaison	Harry Tomasi- Youth Member
Logan Fitzpatrick, Youth Member	

Absent: Tom Hoppey, Chairman, Mike Latini, Erika Ropke Polanis, Brandy Figueuroa

A motion to approve the minutes and report from September was made by Debbie and seconded by Noleen. All those in favor:

Aye: 4 (1 via phone BF) Nay: 0 Absent: 4

Public Comment: None

New Business:

The Halloween Parade is all set for 10/29. John will need volunteers at the Farnum Park by 2:45 to set up the refreshment table. Cider and donuts has been donated by Shop Rite. Operation PJ Pride will be doing a Trunk or Treat at the high school from 5-7pm. John is going to encourage parade goers to check out the trunk or treat event.

The Erie 80 is scheduled for this weekend. Race time is 10am. Volunteers are needed. Community service hours are available.

John presented pictures of the new Recreation truck. Decals- donated by Sean Addy will be added to identify it as a Rec truck. A toolbox for the bed of the truck will be purchased through the Recreation budget. The possibility of purchasing a spray bed liner is being researched.

Jim McCooey, the Recreation Department's part time laborer, will be retiring after 17 years. John has 2 applications and has submitted them for background checks. The appointment needs to be approved by November 13th. Jim's last day will be November 17th. A motion to accept the resignation with regret was made by Dawn and seconded by Debbie. All those in favor:

Aye: 4 (1 via phone BF) Nay: 0 Absent: 4

DECA has requested the use of the facility to host their annual Christmas party on 12/22 6-9pm. This is the 5th year that they have used the building. Their insurance is already on file. Candy Cane has requested the use of the facility for their annual Thanksgiving Feast on 11/17 9am-1pm. They will need to provide insurance. A motion to approve the facility request for DECA was made by Noleen and seconded by Debbie. A motion to approve the facility request for

Candy Cane pending submission of certificate of insurance was made by Noleen and seconded by Debbie. All those in favor:

Aye: 4 (1 via phone BF) Nay: 0 Absent 4

John is scheduled to have a youth basketball meeting on 10/24. Some basketball players that have graduated have expressed some interest in helping with the program. John will keep everyone updated.

The winterizing of the parks and playgrounds has begun.

John handed out and explained the different proposals. John was instructed to keep the budget trimmed. Lines are very similar to the 2017 budget. John explained that the Beach Attendant's salary had to go up based on the minimum wage requirements. John is unsure of when the budget hearing will be for the Recreation Department and will let the Commission know when he gets the date. John invited the Commission to attend those meetings.

Old Business:

There was a dance on Teen Night on 9/22. 84 teens came and had a great time. The dance had a positive result and caused many of those to return for teen night in the following weeks.

The Jets game field trip on 9/24 was a great time for everyone that attended. Participants are looking for a return trip.

The Orange County Youth Bureau sponsored the Orange County Junior Leadership program on 10/11 at the Youth/Community Center. 38 kids from the surrounding counties attended the training and concluded their day with a panel interview. John was one of the adults interviewed.

Teen Night has been very busy. The attendance for the Rec Room has been very low. The weather and fall sports may be the reason. John expects the numbers to increase as the cold weather approaches. John is going to contact the PTAs from the different schools to host one of their meetings in the Rec. Room so parents can see what opportunities are provided in the Rec Room.

Youth Report: John reminded the youth members to recruit volunteers for the Halloween Parade and the fall clean up.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 was made by Noleen and seconded by Dawn. All those in favor:

Aye: 4 (1 via phone BF) Nay: 0 Absent: 4

**NEXT MEETING:
Wednesday, November 15, 2017
7:00pm**

