

HILLSDALE RECREATION COMMISSION
380 HILLSDALE AVENUE
HILLSDALE, NJ 07642
201-666-4800X1560

HILLSDALE RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF NOV. 6, 2014

The Hillsdale Recreation Commission held its regular meeting on November 6, 2014 with John Corring, Ann Cron, John Noone, Andrew Puller, Patty Hughes, and Councilwoman Looes in attendance.

Absent from the meeting were Gerard Dargan and Dawn Timpanaro.

Chairman John Corring called the meeting to order at 7:10pm

The minutes of September 11, 2014 were approved (Puller/Cron)

New Business

Camp 2015- Smith school will be the site for the camp. However, the camp can only use one wing of the building, which has a maximum occupancy limit of 100 kids at a time. There are usually 130 5th – 7th graders enrolled in the camp. This would only be an issue on rainy days when the kids do not go to Stonybrook, 2 days a week for 5 weeks. Patty will research additional locations for rainy days.

Memorial Field House – approximately 20 prisoners helped clean Memorial Field House by pulling weeds, painting, and general maintenance work. The council had on its agenda an item regarding applying for an ADA grant for an elevator to the second floor of the building in case it was used as a senior center. This was done before Patty had a chance to discuss future uses for the field house with the recreation commission. Other possible uses were to have recreation commission meetings there or some after school activities. Currently the building does not have heat or air conditioning.

Senior Luncheon – Nov. 19 at St. John's. Wilkes Deli is catering it.

Ragamuffin Parade – kids had a great time. There was a photo area and a balloon artist for the kids. Next year there will be a real photo booth with cutouts so there will be two areas for photos. Also, might eliminate the balloon artist next year.

Football – there is an issue with the 501C form and they were not filing a 990 form. They hired an accountant and they are now filling. All issues have been cleared up.

Coaches and fingerprinting – Patty is trying to have anybody who coaches give all their paperwork to her. The problem is that some people are being fingerprinted, but Patty is not

getting the forms back. Patty then has to request the forms and some people are giving her a hard time about giving her all the certifications. This is especially true for football. There was a discussion regarding who should be responsible to tell adults that their fingerprint certifications are expiring. Patty did give a list of those adults whose fingerprint certifications were expiring to the head of each association. However, there are some coaches whose fingerprints have expired and are on the fields. Councilwoman Looes requested a list of those who are on the fields and who are non-compliant. Patty will provide her with the list. Fingerprinting must be done every three years, while the other certifications, such as Rutgers, concussion and lightning, are good forever.

Centennial Field – commissioners asked about venting and calibration system at Centennial Field. They were told that the town is looking into and fixing the problem.

Rec Basketball – for 7th and 8th grade boys and girls the coaches will be high school kids, if at all possible with an adult back up.

Rec Coaches – discussed that if a person is the coordinator of a rec sport, then that person should not be the head coach of a team in that sport.

Liaison to Mayor and Council

Councilwoman Looes spoke about changes to the sports agreement. She will be putting in more about the responsibilities of the Recreation Commission.

Remarks from Citizens

Abby Lundy – president of HBSA, spoke about the possibility of Hillsdale being the host town for the NEBAS tournament in the summer. She needs a person who would be responsible for scheduling, a commissioner for each age level, and someone who will update website statistics. NEBAS will interview all names submitted. The tournament lasts about 2 weeks, from mid to end of July and could net \$30,000 - \$40,000. The commissioners gave their support to Abby to proceed with bid to host the NEBAS tournament.

Meeting adjourned, 8:10pm (Cron/Puller)

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne Reich

Next meeting, Dec. 4, 2014, 7:00pm