

**HILLSDALE SWIMMING POOL COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 8, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Hillsdale Swimming Pool Commission was brought to order at 7:40 p.m. on Monday, December 8, 2014. The announcement of the meeting was read by Chairman Campbell, in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Law of the State of New Jersey.

PRESENT: Chairman, Jay Campbell, Vice Chairman, Paul Muller, Commissioners, Rosemary Metz, LeeAnn Everett, and Jack O'Hara, Managing Director, Patty Hughes, Council Liaison, Chris Looes

ABSENT:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 17, 2014

MOTION TO APPROVE REGULAR MINUTES:

APPROVED: Vice Chairman, Muller

SECOND: Commissioner Metz

TOPICS FOR PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION:

1. **a) Budget:** Chairman Campbell asked what does the swim club do about the \$100,000 deficit? Should the mayor and council be made aware that they can't have the amount of money they expect. Commissioner Everett said definitely yes. Membership has gone down so how can the mayor and council expect as much money from the club.
- b) The goal** for the new budget is \$682,000 from \$719,000 which is a 2% cut from last year.
- b) Director Hughes** said that bids will be going out for contractual service for pool opening and closing. Total cost is being brought down from \$92,000 to \$80,000.
- c) Vice Chairman Muller** asked if the pool employees could be cut in any way. Director Hughes said she may be able to cut them by about \$3,000. Chairman Campbell asked if Director Hughes could cut the number of managers for the pool to 3 instead of 4. Director Hughes said she does not want to cut out a manager. He also asked her to come up with a chart in regard to salaries, rotations, etc. Vice Chairman Muller asked her to write a list of her ideas as to how expenses could be cut.
- d) Chairman Campbell** asked Director Hughes about the salary ordinance. She told him nothing has changed. Chairman Campbell wants salaries capped at 2%. Vice Chairman Muller wants to schedule a separate budget meeting at a later date.
- e) Capital Budget:** \$43,000 will be spent from capital budget – New Main Pool Pump, \$25,000; New Bathroom Doors, \$5,500; Caulking for the Main Pool, \$12,000 and a Chemical Pump, \$1,000.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Snack Bar:** Chairman Campbell wanted to know if everyone was satisfied with Pete from the snack bar. It was agreed that there were problems. Chairman Campbell said if we don't want Pete back in 2015 we should put him on notice and put the snack bar out to bid. Everyone agreed that it should be put out to bid. It was then discussed on how to put Pete on notice. Would he get a letter or would it be done verbally. Council Liaison Loes said it should definitely be done in writing. Director Hughes said we have to terminate him first and it's up to him whether he wants to bid on the job again. Vice Chairman Muller asked the commission what they wanted the snack shed to be. He thinks it should be more of a food service, a friendlier type of place where families could eat together. Discussion was held on what kind of food could be prepared. Chairman Campbell asked Director Hughes to write up what she wants in reference to food and the concession stand. Chairman Campbell took a tour of Friendship House which was mentioned last month as maybe being an option to run the snack shed. He said he was very impressed. Director Hughes said this must go out in a public bid.
2. **Commissioner O'Hara** suggested that the club should be trying to get in another swim team to use the facilities, and to bring in more revenue. Director Hughes said she has written ordinances for rates for the swim team. He also asked if the River Vale Golf Club and Stonybrook merge was going anywhere. Vice Chairman Muller said he reached out last month to Holly Schepesi and was going to call again.
3. **The payment plan** for Early Bird Members was discussed. A mailing will probably go out in February, which allows members to pay early in March, April and May. Members must be paid in full by May 1st. Vice Chairman Muller said to send out a letter and a list of the rates. There will be no invoice or forms to fill out. A post-card reminder should be sent out in the middle of May.
4. **Meeting dates** will be set for Stonybrook on the second Wednesday of the month for next year.
5. **There was a discussion** about the dome for the pool. Monies and insurance were brought up. Chairman Campbell, and the commission agreed, that he wants to see a proposal in writing from the swim team coach, Don Wagner, before there is any kind of presentation.

A motion was made to go into closed session at 9:50 p.m.

A discussion for contractual obligations was held.

Closed session ended at 10:05 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None at this time.

Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner Metz **Second:** Commissioner Everett

Meeting closed at 10:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Jeune
Minutes Secretary