

RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

January 16, 2019 – 8:00 P.M.

Len Bicher	Chairperson	x
Bob Brady	Vice Chairperson	
Bob Androsky	Member	
Jeri Quirk	Member	x
Jennifer Kerr	Member	
Scott Yappen	Member	x
Nicole Halajian	Secretary	x
	Alternate 1	
	Alternate 2	
Alex Rubenstein	Council Liaison	

Call meeting to order, Flag Salute, Moment of Silence

Meeting opened at 8:23pm

- Minutes from December 19, 2018 – Motion by Jeri Quirk, second by Nicole Halajian to approve the minutes. Motion passed
- Welcome to Scott Yappen. Len explained the purpose of the Committee and what the Committee hopes to accomplish.
- The letter to the Town Council regarding the Rec Director position is not needed because the Council has already made a decision.
- Len will check with Bob B. to see if he will continue his term. If not Len will ask him for a letter of resignation.
- Rutgers Coaches Class is scheduled for February 25 at 6:30pm. The event needs to be advertised. Can we advertise on Facebook?
- Can the Rec Committee have a Facebook page? It would be easier to advertise events. Hopatcong and Netcong have a rec page. The sole purpose of the page would be to advertise events and we would not post pictures of residents.
- Rec Department email address (such as recreation@byramtwp.org). Important to have so residents know who to email and how to get information.
- Jeri will contact John Harin – operator of golf course. Ideas: father/son outing, glow ball, soccer ball, or some other kind of ball

- Byram Day: can a sub-contractor be hired to run Byram Day? This event cannot be run by volunteers. Someone needs to take charge of it.
- How will the Triathlon be organized? Who will order the t-shirts and organize volunteers? It was suggested to have high school kids volunteer, which would count towards their service hours. Volunteers are needed to setup, cleanup, and make sure the kids are safe around the course.
- More members are needed to join the Committee. Len will ask the sporting coaches but will explain the purpose of the Committee.
- Other rec ideas: Hoedown BBQ, Grandparents Day breakfast. We want our kids to remember Byram as a fun place to grow up with memories of activities.
- Nicole is meeting with Joe next week on procurement process
- Field use is an issue. There is no availability and no lights. The fields do not open until April 1, which puts the kids one month behind in practice. Can Byram have a turf field? But is a turf field better off in long run due to maintenance costs? Can the money donated from Hudson Farms be pooled together for a turf field? The turf field at LVR is expensive and the process to reserve it is lengthy. This issue should be discussed with Greener by Design when they meet with the Rec Committee and the sports councils.

Adjournment at 9:12pm – approved by all

The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at 8:00pm at the CO Johnson Fieldhouse