

RECREATION COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

September 16, 2019 – 8:00 P.M.

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

Also present: Joe Sabatini, Phil Crosson

Call meeting to order, Flag Salute, Moment of Silence

- Minutes from August 19, 2019 – Motion by Mary Schneider, second by Jeri Quirk to approve the minutes. Motion passed
- Byram Fest.
 - DJ Oswal confirmed to sing National Anthem
 - Mayor to give welcome speech and announce need for volunteers for Byram Day 2020
 - Donna Griff will download music to be played utilizing the football tower speakers
 - Three Bounce Houses confirmed
 - Four Food Trucks confirmed
 - Marty's Ice Cream
 - Rolling with Hoagies
 - Cupcake
 - Beneto Curb-side Eats
 - Tables will be set up by DPW day of event
 - Restrooms and wash station confirmed
 - Phil will direct bounce houses and food trucks where to set up
 - Chief of Police, Pete Zabita organizing parking arrangements
 - Advertising Byram Fest:
 - Electronic board on 206
 - Social media
- Tree Lighting Event. Need to confirm date and time. Tentative 12/8/19 at 6pm with magician at 7pm. Letters to Santa: need to confirm with Nicole. Need to confirm all plans at next meeting.

- Holiday Lights Contest. Entries must be submitted by 12/7/19. Three prize winners, council approval. How will people register? Winners to be announced at 12/17/19 council meeting. Need to confirm details at next meeting.
- 2020 Budget has been completed and submitted. Scott Olsen, Nisha Kash, and David Gray terms are expiring 12/31/19. New council members to be voted on.
- Tennis courts have been repaired and restored. Pickleball court is completed.
- Byram Day 2020.
 - What is goal of Byram Day?
 - Celebration of town, having fun and attracting all ages
 - Evaluate the level of interest
 - If interest does not exist evaluate, do we eliminate?
 - Discussion of pro's/cons of for-profit vs non-profit
 - Discussion of possibly hiring event planning company. Alex suggested inviting all town non-profits for a meeting to discuss if the interest/volunteers are interested
 - Meeting date to be set ASAP
 - Organizations named: Fire Dept, EMS, BARKS, boy scouts, girl scouts, Byram PTA, LVR football, softball, soccer, Knights of Columbus, Kiwanis
- Public complaints should be sent to Mayor/Council to be addressed. Re: restructure of Byram Fest
- Mary Schneider has resigned due to conflicts with a new position. Mary has offered to volunteer when available. We are so thankful to her and all her hard work!
- Hike. Alex to coordinate for October/November and see if Salt is interested in cooking hot dogs or other food at the end.
- Meeting adjourned

The next meeting will be October 21, 2019 at 8:00pm at the CO Johnson Fieldhouse