

READINGTON RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES
January 28th, 2015 7:30pm

A. Gabrielle called the meeting to order at 7:40 pm.

B. Attendance:

- C.** 1. Committee Members: Matt Miller, John Hunt, Bill Quinn, Ken Groel, Melissa Adams
2. Township Officials: Gabrielle Bolarakis, Patti Marcine, Tom Auriemma
3. Guests: Danielle Holtby, Jennifer Crisci, Rachel Besecker, Gianna Crisci, Lauren Spilletti

D. Minutes Approval:

1. John made a motion: ***The minutes from the December 3, 2014 Recreation Committee Meeting is approved.*** Melissa seconded it. All were in favor.

E. Correspondence: None

- E. Presentation: Girl Scout Silver Award Presentation** – Girl Scout Troop #80788 gave a Silver Award Proposal to put in a Supernova (playground equipment) at Pickell Park. Rachel, Gianna and Lauren gave a presentation explaining their intentions to raise money for purchase and installation of a Supernova. Girls Scout Leader Jennifer Crisci stated they would raise all the money needed (about \$6,700) and this project needed to be completed by September 30, 2015. The committee asked a few questions about the time, cost and how they were going to raise the money. The committee thanked them for coming and said they would let them know tomorrow about their decision. The committee discussed the project and decided it would be a good idea if the following items:
1. Were there any safety or insurance issues with the Supernova?
 2. If the girls were unable to raise all the funds needed to purchase and install the Supernova would they be willing to purchase and install playground equipment of lesser value with the money that was raised. Gabrielle was going to check with Vita about insurance and going to call company about safety and get back to the committee.

F. Old Business:

1. **Annual Report** – Gabrielle presented the 2014 Annual report. Many new programs were started over the past year and a lot of improvements have been made to park facilities. Mark & John will meet with Gabrielle on February 25th at 7:00 to begin the process of developing a 5 year facility maintenance plan. Looking ahead Bill and Ken will look into online registration programs. Melissa and Sharon will work on organizing a Volunteer Recognition event. Suggestions were wine and cheese on a Friday night or a Sunday Brunch.
2. **Rec Logo**-Gabrielle passed around a picture of the final copy of the logo. Everyone approved it.
3. **2015 Capital Budget** –Tom will let Gabrielle know when the Township Committee is ready to receive Capital Funding Requests for 2015.

G. New Business:

1. **Facility Maintenance Plan 2015**-First priority in 2015 are the basketball courts at Summer Road which has become a safety issue. Tru-Green will be contracted for vegetation control and fertilization and weed control. The volleyball court at Summer Road Park needs to be repaired. The parks playground needs new mulch. Renovations of the second building at the Dobozyński Farm will continue this year. DPW will aerate the fields.
2. **Spring Brochure**- The spring brochure is out and everyone got a copy. Gabrielle said the early registration discount was a success and will continue to use it. She reminded everyone of a new chocolate wine tasting class in March.
3. **Next Meeting will be February 25th**

H. Other Business:

1. Rec Softball- Gabrielle explained the younger girls with Branchburg and older girls with Flemington. Readington will have their own teams in each age group grades k-6th if they can get 10 girls a team with a coach otherwise 5th-6th will be on Flemington teams. Grades 7th-12 will play on Flemington teams. There are not enough girls to make our own leagues anymore. Just as baseball has combined with Tewksbury.

2. Travel Basketball-Gabrielle announced the Friday Night Basketball program has been expanded to include travel basketball players. There will be one time for boys and one time for girls.

I. Closing- Melissa made a motion: *Readington Recreation meeting for January 28th, 2015 is adjourned at 9:35 PM.* Matt seconded it. All were in favor.