

**MINUTES OF THE
CRANBURY TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF RECREATION COMMISSION
December 17, 2009**

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

The December meeting of the Cranbury Township Board of Recreation Commission was held in Town Hall on December 17, 2009.

CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Beth Veghte, Chairwoman for the Township Recreation Commission, called the meeting to order at 6:40pm and Dawn Maisano acted as Recording Secretary of the meeting.

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Pursuant to the Sunshine Law, adequate notice in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6) was provided on December 1, 2008, of this meeting's date, time and place, and the agenda was mailed to the news media, posted on the Township bulletin board, mailed to those requesting a personal notice, and filed with the Municipal Clerk.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Beth Veghte, Chairwoman; Rich Grubb, Bob O'Meara, Ed Sekelsky, Mario Fiorentini and Jane Helstrom.

NON-MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Ken Jacobs, Recreation Director.

MINUTES

The minutes of the October 15, 2009 meeting were approved on a motion by Mario Fiorentini, seconded by Bob O'Meara; all in favor. The minutes of the November 19, 2009 meeting were approved on a motion by Ed Sekelsky, seconded by Jane Helstrom; all in favor.

WORK SESSION

PUBLIC COMMENT

Vinnie Kotowski, Cranbury Soccer Club, gave an update to the Commission about his organization.

NEW BUSINESS

Wish List from Mayor's Golf Tournament Funds - Beth told the Commission that she would like to send a letter to the Golf Tournament Committee to receive funding from the Golf Funds for Recreation projects. Some suggestions for use of the money are; new tennis back boards, Millstone irrigation, soccer re-bound wall on West Property, an all-weather track just past the school. Ken will send an e-mail to Tim for more information on all weather tracks. Ken will also call over to EW Pal for information on their soccer re-bound wall.

Golden Agers – Tabled until February

Senior Fellowship – Tabled until February

Park Update – The Parks Committee is in the process of finding easements and putting markers on curbs and entryways around Shadow Oaks and along the brook. The NJ Turnpike is donating 10,000 trees to Cranbury for their widening project and there is a committee formed to decide where they should be planted. One suggestion is to plant trees along the West Property fields. Ed would like to attend the meeting on Monday, Dec.28th to propose The Commission's suggestion.

OLD BUSINESS

Regulation Baseball Field Update – The Contractor agreed to fund the sod which will complete their involvement in the project. The field should be ready for use the end of April.

Skating Rink Update – The Public Work Dept. has already started assembling the rink at village Park. We haven't heard from Mr. P. Augustino of Stockton Drive on what type of structure we could use under the rink to keep it frozen during the winter (sand, plywood, platform, etc.) Dawn will get in touch with Mr. Augustino for next winter.

Soccer Field Irrigation / Field Usage Fees – Field money is in the Recreation trust fund and not a separate fund, as the Commission originally thought. Ken will now be keeping track of all money so the Commission will know how much is for field expenses. Rich Grubb will write a letter to the Township Committee to request grant money for West Property soccer field irrigation. Each year, the Public Works Department rolls, seeds and aerates all Township fields, which costs the Township around \$7,000.

The Commission may have to raise field fees \$25 per team. Ken suggested setting a range instead of a set fee for field fees.

Win Cody, Township Committee Member, will meet with the B.O.E. to discuss the Gym fees for summer camp and proposed field fees to the school. Beth stated she would like to attend this meeting. Ken e-mailed Win the Rec. Camp fee history. The Commission would like to set up a special meeting with the Township Committee and School Board. The proposed field fees for the school should be \$50 per hour with a 2-hour minimum, which is, the same fee as Rec. is being charged for school usage.

The Commission also discussed getting extra rooms at the school for Summer Camp.

Tim's Contract – The Commission discussed Tim Brennan's contract for Summer Camp Director. Tim was paid \$6,750 for eight weeks of camp in 2007, 2008 and in 2009 was paid for seven weeks of camp and to emcee the boat races. The Commission voted to keep his salary the same for 2010 with eight weeks of camp and will pay him a stipend for the boat races.

DISCUSSION

Rich asked the Commission if he can use the West Property soccer fields in August for a soccer tournament. There being no pending use of the fields, the Commission had no problem with him using them.

Dawn reminded the Commission that the Newsletter information is due at the end of the month.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

There being no further business, Bob O'Meara motioned the meeting be adjourned, and Ed Sekelsky seconded it. The meeting was thereupon adjourned at 8:25 pm.

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed Secretary of the Cranbury Township Board of Recreation Commission, and that this document, consisting of 3 pages, constitutes a true and correct copy of the minutes of the monthly meeting held on December 17, 2009.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name this 19th day of February, 2010.

Dawn Maisano, Secretary