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**RECREATION DEPARTMENT** 

Regina Hawley-Keelan, Co-Chair

# MINUTES-JANUARY 25, 2018 RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING BOROUGH HALL, 6:30pm

## CALL TO ORDER 6:35PM

Jacqueline Hillman, Co-Chair

Jacqui Hillman moved to call the meeting to order

In Attendance: Regina Hawley-Keelen, Jacqui Hillmann, Sandra Hoffmann, Tracey Tomasso, Pam Boyd and Chris Parmigiani.

CORRESPONDENCE & INVOICES: There were no correspondences and invoices

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regina Hawley-Keelen made a motion to approve the Minutes from the December 28, 2017 Regular Meeting, seconded by Tracey Tomasso and approved by unanimous voice vote.

#### APPROVAL OF 2018 MEETING DATES:

Sandra Hoffmann made a motion to approve the meeting dates for 2018, seconded by Regina Hawley-Keelen and approved by unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no Public Comment.

YOUTH COMMISSION REPORT: There was no Youth Commission Report.

PROGRAM/EVENTS:

Discussion followed regarding the year's programs and events.

**Easter Egg Hunt-** (March 24<sup>th</sup>-rain date March 25<sup>th</sup>) The Easter Egg Hunt will be held at Firemen's Field. Jacqui stated that Tom Caizza feels the event in the morning will be over by 12pm which will not interfere with the Hunt at 1pm. Since this has become such a huge event, there was a discussion about possibly starting all age groups at the same time. This will give the parents, who have multiple children, the ability to watch all their children at the same time.

Sandra Hoffmann, Tracey Tomasso and Jacqui Hillman will be running this event and Regina has asked Debbie Marchetti to write a letter to the Fire Police asking for their assistance in crowd control.

**Town Wide Garage Sale**-(May 19<sup>th</sup>- rain date May 20<sup>th</sup>) Regina Hawley-Keelen, Jacqui Hillmann and Sandra Hoffmann will oversee this event.

**Summer Recreation**-(Beginning July 9<sup>th</sup>) Jacqui has emailed Laura Santoro & Ryan Patrick to see if they will run the Summer Recreation Program again this year and is waiting on a response. Both have a Special Education background which is a huge asset to the program. The Summer Recreation Program accepts children ages 5-12 according to Regina and all counselors must become CPR Certified. Jacqui and Regina will assist with the program and Tracey has volunteered her help with snacks if needed.

**Soccer Program-** According to Jacqui, Rich Colangelo will oversee the Fall Soccer Program this year.

Fall Garage Sale-(October 20<sup>th</sup>-rain date October 21<sup>st</sup>)

**Halloween Parade**-(October 27<sup>th</sup>-rain date October 28<sup>th</sup>) Everyone agrees the Halloween Parade is a lot of fun. According to Regina the Fire Police were awesome. The kids listen a lot better with their presence. The Atlantic Highlands Cinema 5 has already offered to donate Movie tickets for prizes and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Pizza has offered to supply pizza.

Holiday Tree Lighting-(December 1<sup>st</sup>) Over 300 people attended this event last year according to Jacqui. It has out grown the space in front of the Borough Hall and really needs to be moved across the street to Veteran's Park. The Chamber of Commerce host a scavenger hunt and Serria Giehl, a Chamber member, would like to try and coordinate some vendors as well. The idea of a Wishing Tree for the kids or a decorating contest was also mentioned and liked by all.

**Basketball Program-** The basketball program is supposed to end on February 17 which is much sooner than last year. They will look to see if it can be extended to March 25<sup>th</sup>. It is Rich Colangelo's first year running the program and he is doing a great job.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no Old Business.

### NEW BUSINESS:

The Marine Science Program will return this summer according to Regina. It will be offered the week before the Summer Recreation Program starts and the week after it ends. The program provides 2 scholarships and 6 internships to students in the 10 and 11 grades at Henry Hudson Regional who are interested in Marine Biology. It is a



great opportunity to work with Marine Biologist and the feedback for the program has been very positive stated Jacqui.

Classes for Tai Chi will also be offered again this year to anyone 18 and over. They will be held on Monday afternoon's in the Senior Building from 3:30-4:45pm. No registration is required and the fee is \$10 per class.

A discussion took place about the possibility of purchasing a generic lawn sign that could be used during program sign ups. Some of the newer families were confused on where to register for programs. A sign listing the website would be very helpful. This item will be put on the February Agenda for further discussion.

#### ADJOURN:

Pam Boyd motion to adjourn, Regina Hawley-Keelen seconds the motion, meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.

Debbie Marchetti Recording Secretary