

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL
RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES

MUNICIPAL BUILDING

JULY 11, 2018

9:30 AM

OPENING: The meeting was called to order by Megan Brown, Recreation Director

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT STATEMENT: Read by Megan Brown in compliance with the Sunshine Law

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Members in attendance: Robert Kempf, Jennie Purcell, Patti Chacker

Professionals in attendance: Megan Brown, Recreation Director and Chris Marmo, Recreation Manager and Brandon Hawkins, Associate Solicitor

APPROVAL OF MINUTES None

COMMUNICATION – CORRESPONDENCE None

REPORTS FROM MAYOR None

NEW BUSINESS

a. Elections

b. Megan Brown called for nominations to fill the position of Recreation Commission Chair.

On a motion by Patti Chacker, seconded by Jennie Purcell, Robert Kempf was nominated for Chair and approved by the following vote:

AYE: Robert Kempf, Jennie Purcell and Patti Chacker

Megan Brown called for nominations to fill the position of Recreation Commission Vice Chair.

On a motion by Patti Chacker, seconded by Robert Kempf, Jennie Purcell was nominated for Vice Chair and approved by the following vote:

AYE: Robert Kempf, Jennie Purcell and Patti Chacker

c. By Laws

Robert Kempf summarized the by-laws.

On a motion by Jennie Purcell, seconded by Patti Chacker, the by-laws were approved by the following vote:

AYE: Robert Kempf, Jennie Purcell and Patti Chacker

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d. Review of summer 2018 program

*Megan Brown provided a summary of programs offered, programs cancelled and preliminary financial figures. Final expenses cannot be assessed until all classes are complete. A Morning Fun summary estimated the 2018 tax burden at \$9,000 versus \$26,000 in 2017. **Copy attached.***

e. Review of proposed fall 2018 programs and fee schedule

*Megan Brown presented a list of planned programs for fall 2018. **Copy attached.***

f. Suggestions for new programs *None*

OLD BUSINESS *None*

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

*Greg Bruno (107 Miami Ave W) and Dawn Higgins (207 Rhode Island Avenue, 08002) attended on behalf of the Council of Cherry Hill Civic Associations. The submitted a written request that the Recreation Commission membership be expanded. **Copy Attached***

*Susan Druckenbrod (162 Valley Run Drive) requested that the commission reconsider the costs of Morning Fun based on her belief that the 2018 fees are too high for mid- and low-income families to afford. She presented a NJ School Performance Report from Clara Barton Elementary School SY 2016-17 indicating that 31% of the students at Clara Barton School are economically disadvantaged. **Copy attached.***

MEETING ADJOURNED

ADOPTED: Nov 1, 2018

ROBERT KEMPF, CHAIR

ATTEST:

**MEGAN BROWN, DIRECTOR OF RECREATION
RECREATION COMMISSION SECRETARY**