

RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

Monday, May 2, 2016 – 6:30 p.m. Minutes Washington Township Senior Center

Members Present Ed Murray, Mary McArdle, Darlene Hatcher, Ryan Conklin, Walt Cullen

Members Absent Sue Coscia

Others Present

Called to order at 6:30 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes - The minutes from the March 7th, 2016 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Mary McArdle to approve the minutes, seconded by Ryan Conklin and unanimously approved by the committee members present.
2. A proposal, made by Kurt Solsky in connection with his Eagle Scout project, to repair the existing trail around Koehler's Pond and to construct new sections as needed was reviewed by the committee. After discussion a motion to endorse the project was made by Mary McArdle seconded by Ed Murray and unanimously approved by the committee members present. This project was previously reviewed and approved by the Township Committee.
3. Fireworks Festival – after discussion the committee decided to limit the committee's participation to providing an information table promoting the various activities that the township Recreation Department organizes and manages for the community.
4. Future Activities for the Committee:

Red Bull Soccer Trip – after some discussion it was decided that this trip, given the costs involved, would not attract enough participation to be feasible.

Sands Casino Trip – Ed and Mary will look into organizing this trip and report back to the committee at next meeting.

Crayola Factory Trip – Ryan will look into organizing this trip and report back to the committee at next meeting.
5. Grant possibilities for building and renewing trails may be coming available. Ryan will be attending a seminar on this subject and will bring information back to the committee for the next meeting.
6. Darlene mentioned some events that the Recreation Department has organized, "Walk With The Mayor" at Schooley's Mountain Park on June 4th and Movie Nights at Rock Spring Park during the course of the summer. Any money earned from concession stand sales during the movies will be devoted to installing handicap accessible playground equipment.

Darlene also reported that a sharp conflict has developed between the baseball travelling league and the baseball recreation league. The Mayor has intervened in the dispute and given individuals involved strong guidance and direction to settle the conflict.

7. Walt Cullen informed the committee that the Township Committee will be recognizing all individuals that perform various volunteer activities for the community at the regular Township meeting on May 16th. All members of the Recreation Committee are invited to attend this event.
8. Adjournment 7:40 p.m., Motion made by Walt Cullen, seconded by Mary McArdle and unanimously approved by the committee members present.