

Borough of Park Ridge
Minutes of the Recreation and Cultural Committee
January 28, 2019 7:30 PM

Present at Meeting:

Regina Deutch, Lyn Beer, Ira Rosen, Kelly Epstein, Eugene McVerry, Carinne Murphy, Rob Nicolich, Michael Raia, Paul Scarduffa, Bob Fornatale, Paul Wharton, Liz Falkenstern, Maureen Howell , Augustin Perez

Review of Previous Minutes:

The meeting began at 7:30 pm and the minutes of the previous December meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved by motion from Lyn B. and seconded by Michael R.

Old Business:

Holiday Party was well received and a good time was had by all.

New Business:

New Members: We gave a warm welcome to our new members appointed by the Mayor: Regina Deutch and Ira Rosen.

Car Show:

The 8th Annual Recreation Car Show will be held on May 4, 2019 and the rain date is May 11, 2019. Ira R. stated that he has secured 4 great judges. It was suggested we add more trophies this year to our winners' circle. Ira R. also generously offered to be the DJ again this year!

Food and refreshments were discussed. Food trucks were being considered to entice more interest in this event as other local car shows also have food trucks. It was received favorably. Ira R. and Mike R. will get names of popular food trucks they know of for Liz F. to research.

Later, Paul W. stated that he assists with marketing for the Pascack Valley Chamber of Commerce and he thinks they could help advertise and support our events, including the car show. It was mentioned about doing food for our Car Show? Paul W. said he would ask at their next Chamber of Commerce meeting about the Car Show and get details as to what their organization would require from our Rec Committee to be involved. It was suggested that Paul W. include the Co-Chairman, Ira R. in this discussion since Ira left the meeting early. The discussion was tabled for the next meeting.

Election of Officers:

Chairman: Eugene McVerry's name was placed in motion ...there were no others...Mr. Mc Verry unanimously elected.

Vice Chairman: Doug Salvi's name was placed in motion, and there were no others, and Mr. Salvi was unanimously elected.

Treasurer: Paul Scarduffa's name was placed in motion and there were no others, and Mr. Scarduffa unanimously elected.

Secretary: Maureen Howell's name was placed in motion, and there were no others and Mrs. Howell unanimously elected.

Egg Hunt: The event will be held on April 13 and the rain date is April 14. Discussion on event set up tabled for next meeting.

Town Picnic: The date is June 8, 2019 from 1 pm-6 pm and the rain date is June 9. Discussion relating to the date to hold fireworks was motioned by Paul W. and seconded by Lyn B. The discussion was in regards to when the Fireworks show should take place; either the night of the town picnic or Labor Day. After much discussion a vote was taken, 8-yes; 1-no and 1 abstained. The Fireworks will take place after the Town Picnic. The rain date for the fireworks will be Saturday, August 31st.

Summer Concerts: The concerts will be moved up to July. The location will return to the Veteran's Park Gazebo and the rain location will be the Davies Memorial Field Pavilion.

Kelly E., reported the town is in discussions about celebrating our 125 year anniversary. Some discussion was made about a Taste of Park Ridge, event and Liz F. said that Recreation could be involved to help with this event. More info will follow.

The next meeting will be Monday February 25th at 7:30 PM in the Community Center.

The Agenda to include: Car Show; Egg Hunt, Picnic Sponsorship Program for 2019, Picnic plans, Fireworks ,Concerts and anything else Recreation!

A motion was made by Mike R. and seconded by Eugene M. to close meeting at 8:30 PM.

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Respectfully Submitted by,
Maureen Howell