

Borough of Park Ridge

Recreation and Cultural Committee

Meeting Minutes – August 21, 2023

Attendance: The following were present at this meeting: Kelly Epstein, Rob Nicolich, Mike Raia, Doug Salvi, Rosemary Happ, Paul Wharton, Paul Scarduffa, Robert Fornatale, Lori Bettini, Maureen Howell, Tommy Greco, Laurie Wharton, Liz Falkenstern (Recreation Director) and Council Liaison Greg Hoffman

Review of Previous Minutes: The meeting began at 7:33 PM by a motion made by Rob N. and seconded by Doug S. The Minutes of the previous July 17th meeting were reviewed changes and unanimously approved by a motion from Maureen H., and seconded by Paul S.

Old Business

1. Review of Concert Series: All bands were excellent this year with great audiences.
2. Basketball Hoop Donations: Resident Bob Ciarletta wishes to donate his basketball hoop to the Rec Committee but needs to have it picked up. We can store it outside by the shed for use with camp and the town picnic.
3. Fireworks: Student Council can sell glowsticks and other items from Tommy Greco for fundraising, need to confirm lighting timing with Chris Brown, 6:30-8pm ask Chris Brown about a microphone for the speakers for concert and how far it can reach. Councilman Hoffman asked about TANC having a table at the fireworks to provide info to residents?
4. Review of Movie Night: Projector was great and worked well with it still being a little light out. A suggestion was made to possibly have popcorn as a giveaway for next movie night?
5. Oktoberfest: Meeting on Wednesday at 5:30 pm- can we broadcast a game using our blowup screen and projector?

New Business

1. Town wide Garage Sale October 14th Liz F. will put form and flyer on Boro website.
2. Shed Cleanout – date TBD once camp director finishes the cleanout. Weekend before Oktoberfest might be best. Grill grates need to be replaced, label shelves and tubs, lots of Pink Ribbons in shed – what can we do with them?
3. Liz F. introduced request from Elks to have Rec Committee sponsor an ad for their event. Discussion about whether the committee can use funds for this with the answer being that we cannot.

Motion to close: 8:47PM by Mike R. 2nd by Paul S.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kelly Epstein
Park Ridge Recreation and Cultural Committee – Secretary