

# EGG HARBOR TOWNSHIP RECREATION COMMISSION

## OCTOBER 14, 2015 MINUTES

### Attendees:

Messina, Fiedor, Rispoli, Warrell, Weldon, Director Audet and Committeewoman Pfromner. Fairfield, Gallagher and Riggs were excused.

1. Pledge of Allegiance 7:00 p.m.

2. Minutes:

September 30, 2015 minutes were approved by a vote of 4-0-1 (Messina).

3. Presentations/Public Comment:

#### Restroom facility at Canale Park-

Director Audet advised that Township Committee agrees that there is a need for bathroom facilities at the Canale Park soccer fields. Rick explained that the building would be located near the softball field. Soccer President Christine Gras indicated that she would like to see restrooms closer to Dogwood Ave. Commissioner Rispoli added that the location of the building must be correlated with the plans for the additional fields slated for the extension of Canale Park.

Director Audet presented information from Public Restroom Company regarding their Public Restroom Series. A discussion regarding cost and location ensued. A pre-fab building could cost approximately \$120,000.00-\$125,000.00 plus sewer and electric bringing the project closer to \$200,000.00. A waterless vault was estimated at approximately \$60,000.00-\$65,000.00 plus electricity. More information is needed. Committeewoman Pfromner indicated that this is a viable project, as well as, the amphitheater cover. Director Audet stated that in doing the bathroom building project, it would push the amphitheater cover back a year. Open space or tax money which is dedicated to Recreation may be used for these projects.

A unanimous vote of 5-0 indicated that all Commissioners were in agreement with going forward with both projects within a year. More details are to follow.

4. Old Business:

EHTYS-

President Kathleen Glick and Vice President Kim Collins asked whether a decision had been made regarding non-residents participating in the EHT Softball program. Kathleen and Kim approached Township Committee concerning non-resident participation. They felt that Township Committee was open to the concept. Soccer President Gras added that non-residents would also help the Travel Soccer program, as the teams would be more competitive. Vice Chair Messina reminded everyone that we are here for recreation. Director Audet explained the 80% resident rule. The Commissioners voted 5-0 to table the non-resident issue until a sub-committee is formulated.

Kim Collins voiced her concern with the new playground areas at Childs-Kirk Park. She indicated that on any given night there are numerous juveniles on the equipment after the park closes at dusk. Commissioner Weldon recommended that EHTYS contact the Police Department to request additional property checks.

President Glick asked whether a decision had been made regarding the EHTYS Fall Ball program. Director Audet advised that a sub-committee will be formulated to discuss and define the program after Chairman Fairfield returns, so that he is part of the discussion. Rick felt that a viable solution would be to split the season or to find another municipality to play some of the games. Additional towns should share the burden of field use and maintenance. Kathleen and Kim indicated that none of the participating towns have fields available in the Fall. Rick asked for documentation from each of the participating municipalities advising their field availability.

\*Public portion was closed at 8:12 p.m.

Youth Groups Policy & Procedures Manual-

Director Audet stated that EHTYS was the only group that brought concerns to the Commission's attention regarding the manual. Commissioner Rispoli revised the clause regarding to whom keys can be assigned. The manual will be turned over to Township Committee for their review and comment.

**Six Year Capital Budget Plan-**

Commissioner Warrell recommended that a request for additional capital be submitted to Township Committee.

**2016**

Tony Canale Park Expansion Phase I

Tony Canale Park Amphitheater Cover

BMX asphalt turns engineering and construction

Fencing

Park Surveillance & Security Project

Park Bleachers

Veteran's Park North Hockey Court relamp- refocus and 1500 watt

Childs-Kirk Park fields 1 and 3 dugout replacement

Veteran's Park facility refurbishment-signs and turf/sod replacement

**2017**

Veteran's park perimeter walking path added

No additional changes.

**2018**

No changes

**2019**

Added replacement of Castle Park playground

**2020 and 2021**

No changes

**Current Capital Projects Update**

**2015**

Cover over Canale Park Amphitheater

Soccer Kick wall

Surveillance system for all Parks

BMX turns. To be submitted to engineer. Safety issue.

Canale Park Tennis court resurfacing

Fencing

**5. EHT Youth Group Minutes:**

**EHTBA-**

Director Audet stated that EHT Baseball Association sent several month's minutes that were not reflected on the agenda. Copies were provided to the Recreation Commissioners at the meeting.

Baseball's September 3, 2015 minutes reflect their intention to replace fencing.

Vice Chair Messina feels that fencing is a Capital Project. EHTBA can not take money from the players to use toward capital projects.

**6. New Business:**

**EHT Wrestling By-Laws-**

Wrestling will be invited to the November Recreation Commission meeting to review their by-laws.

**November Recreation Commission meeting-**

The November meeting date was changed to Monday, November 23, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

**\*Meeting was adjourned at 10:01pm**