

Egg Harbor Township Board of Recreation Commissioners Meeting
EHT Community Center
5045 English Creek Avenue
Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, December 13, 2017

7:00 pm

Chairwoman Toni-Lynn Rispoli called the meeting to order 7:03 p.m. and asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recreation Director, Richard Audet, read the opening statement pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act.

Roll Call:	Toni-Lynn Rispoli	Present
	William Warrell	Present
	Justin Riggs	Excused (due to College Course)
	Charles Gallagher	Present
	Paul Weldon	Present
	Kevin Stetser	Present
	Amy Smith	Excused
	Paul Trinkle	Present
	Christine Gras	Present

Also present Parks and Recreation Director, Richard Audet, Township Committee Liaison Laura Pfrommer, and members of the public.

Chairwoman Rispoli stated Commissioner Gras would be the honorary secretary due to Commissioner Rigg's excused absence.

Reading/Acceptance of Special Meeting Minutes: Motion made by Commissioner Gras, Commissioner Warrell seconded the motion to approve November 13th Special Meeting minutes. All in favor.

Reading/Acceptance of Regular Meeting Minutes: Motion made by Commissioner Gallagher, Commissioner Trinkle seconded the motion to approve November 13th Regular Meeting minutes. All in favor.

EHT Recognized Youth Sports Groups: Dr. Mark Mensh spoke on behalf of EHTYO. Dr. Mensh requested that the Rec Board reconsider paying for helmet reconditioning. Chairwoman Rispoli stated that once again the answer is no. Director Rick Audet stated that he feels that YO has enough funds amongst their three accounts to now cover this expense moving forward and that a modest increase in registration fees would also cover the costs. Commissioner Stetser asked why Dr. Mensh keeps stating kids will be hurt because if the Township doesn't pay the cost than YO will and either way the helmets will be safe. Commissioner Stetser stated, "Kids will not be hurt if YO does what they are supposed to do." Chairwoman Rispoli stated for 15 years YO has received funds that no other organization has received and respectfully this is the Commission's final answer.

Public Comment: N/A

Old Business:

Capital Budget: Hockey court has been demoed, the court asphalt surface received an overlay of new asphalt. Work on installing the hockey court rink is set to begin. Softball field 2 project has been recently started, new dugouts are almost complete, work will continue over the winter, field sod should be installed in March. Amphitheater cover is done, stone veneer on the columns is half complete, new steps and handrails have been installed. BMX starting gate has been ordered and is currently being manufactured.

Jr. Wrestling Financials – Director Audet stated that Kara Driscoll gave some answers in the last meeting that were not consistent with facts he found out. Director Audet then overviewed some of the financial numbers of the organization stating that he is not clear why the organization would still be down funds on the year after spending \$8000 in December of 2016 for organizational expenses. He further stated that the Wrestling Club failed to meet the standard of accounting for every dollar in and out of the organization. Chairwoman Rispoli stated that she met with their treasurer Jill Mensch. Treasurer Mensch indicated that she did not know where the money went that was withdrawn from an ATM in June. Jill stated it was Kurt's card that made the withdrawal. Commissioner Gras stated that the last meeting we addressed this and the room was left open to the public and now we are being questioned about our integrity. Kevin Stetser stated again that we have spent months on this and the majority of the paperwork (receipts) we have was from the tenure of the prior president. A member of a youth organization questioned why do any of us have to hand in paperwork when another organization doesn't. Commissioner Gras continued that we need to put this to bed and let's bring Kurt and Kara in together to speak with them. Commissioner Warrell agreed with that idea. Commissioner Gras made a motion to bring in Kurt and Kara together. Commissioner Warrell seconded.

The Commission continued the conversation bringing to light the fact that they've had the opportunity to answer the questions numerous times. Commissioner Trinkle asked if the organization could be ran if the President was removed. Chairwoman Rispoli than asks Stan Toro the question who was in attendance and is Vice President of the organization. Mr. Toro stated that Jr Wrestling could be operated as such if need be. Committeewoman Laura Pfrommer advised that a decision should be made tonight and that this cannot continue. Commissioner Gras rescinded her motion. Chairwoman Rispoli makes a motion to remove both Kurt and Kara Driscoll from the Jr. Wrestling organization. Commissioner Weldon seconds the motion and the board was all in favor. Chairwoman Rispoli stated the letter will go out immediately.

Vice Chairman Warrell asked Director Audet how many youth organizations turn in their financials and he stated that all do, but often we need to remind some of them to do so, and some groups are better than others at turning them in as soon as the season ends and without numerous reminders. Vice Chairman Warrell made a motion that each organization would have a 90 day compliance period for financial documents or the use of facility approval would be revoked. Vice Chairman Warrell than rescinds and stated we will discuss further in January.

Use of Parks Facility Requests:

- None to approve

Directors Report:

- Had a meeting with Perfect Game along with Laura and Mayor McCullough in regards to use of facilities and this could be a great thing to showcase baseball kids.

New Business:

- Calendar approval – Commissioner Gras made motion to approve the 2018 Recreation Commission meeting calendar and Vice Chairman Warrell second all in favor.
- Coach of the year – Applications were reviewed and Coach Joe Olivieri was unanimously approved.
- Non Resident Coach Policy & Procedure – Commissioner Weldon made motion to remove effective date & remove number for non-resident coaches. Commissioner Trinkle second all in favor.
- Motion made for recognition of First Responders at Vet Park by Chairwoman Rispoli, Vice Chairman Warrell second, all in favor.

Commissioner Weldon made a motion to adjourn meeting 9:05 pm, Commissioner Stetser seconded, unanimously approved.

Minutes as heard by Commissioner Christine Gras.

Toni Rispoli, Chair

Christine Gras, Secretary

These minutes were approved at the January 10, 2018

Recreation Commission Meeting
