

Borough of West Long Branch  
Recreation Commission

**Meeting Minutes -November 9, 2020**

**Members in Attendance:**

Debbie Ronan, Chair  
Larry Mays  
Carrie Sniffen  
Lorraine Strohmenger

**Also in Attendance:**

Councilman Migliaccio  
Councilman Neyhart  
Councilman Sniffen  
Ron Karpe

Meeting Called to Order at 7:30pm

Debbie Ronan started the meeting with a Mission Statement; “Our mission as the Rec. Commission is to provide our community with various activities and events for residents of all ages.”

We would like to welcome Paulette Barham as our new secretary.

Debbie Introduce Gretchen O’Kane who is interested in helping out with the Commission as well as Ron Karpe, a former member would like to rejoining the recreation committee.

**Upcoming Events:**

Christmas Tree Lighting Event on Saturday December 5th is officially cancelled

- 1) The Trees at Franklin Lake & Woolley Park have been strung. Company has volunteered to come back to Wooly Park to string more lights if we think it needs it.
- 2) The High shrubs at Woolley Park have been removed. We have spoken to Michael Heybeck regarding a professional landscape design for the park. He will be volunteering his landscape designs.
- 3) The DPW is taking down all of the stalks and scarecrows down week before Thanksgiving. Councilmen Sniffen will probably be the one to change the seasonal signs.
- 4) The Nativity scene has been assembled and will be put up for display on Saturday Nov. 28th at Woolley Park along with the Menorah

**5) Decorating the town for Christmas.**

We have agreed that decorating the town will happen over a two day span, Saturday Nov 28th and Sunday Nov 29th. We broke down who will be decorating and the times.

**Saturday, November 28**

Hang winter banners on lamppost around Franklin Lake – 8:00 am

Matt, Freddie & Kevin

Hang Garland on all town signs – 9:00 am

- \*Franklin Lake – Carrie, Kelly & Alex
- \*Conway Park - Carrie, Kelly & Alex
- \*Sorrentino Park- Carrie, Kelly & Alex
- \*Ronan Shirvainian Park – Deb, Christina & Abby
- \*Thorne Park - Deb, Christina & Abby
- \*Wooly Park - Deb, Christina & Abby
- \*Valenzano Park - Deb, Christina & Abby
- \*Community Center Sign – Matt & Deb

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\*Welcome to WLB sign on 36 – Sunday Matt & Kevin  
Nativity and Menorah at Woolley Park – 1:00 pm

Matt, Deb, Carrie, Larry, Ron

### **Sunday, November 29**

Flags and Candy Cane down Locust Ave. – 6:30

Matt, Kevin, Deb & Carrie

\*Hang Garland and lights on Gazebo

Lorraine, Larry, Gretchen

6) The Trees will be lite Sunday November 29 after the town is decorated

7) The Lighting of the Menorah will take place from December 10-18

8) We decided that all of the decorations will be dismantled on Jan 9th, after Little Christmas on 1/6. We will leave the winter banner up until we switch to spring banners.

### **Updates & News**

The brackets and Fall banners are for the lamp post around Franklin have been painted by Kevin Ronan and are starting to be put up by Matt Sniffen.

The winter banners are in and will be put up the weekend of Nov. 29th.

### **Apparel update**

We will not be ordering any apparel until new members are appointed in 2021.

### **Valenzano shed/concession booth update**

The bay at Valenzano shed has been completely cleaned out and all boro architecture plans have been moved to the concession booth for storage. We will be using that space for all Recreation Committee supplies and to house the trailer.

The DWP is installing new “trex” decking at Franklin Lake’s picnic area.

The Fence at Conway still needs to be repaired.

There are no other expenses that need to be submitted at this time.

### **New Business**

January 11th meeting we will talk about the budget.

February 8th meeting we will talk about Easter Egg Hunt being Sat. April 3rd and location.

Meeting came to a close at 8:25pm

Submitted by:

Paulette Barham, Secretary