 Borough of West Long Branch

Recreation Commission

**Meeting Minutes –May 10, 2021**

**Members in Attendance: Also in Attendance:**

Debbie Ronan, Chair Councilman Sniffen

Lorraine Strohmenger Councilman Neyhart

Carrie Sniffen

Gina Neyhart

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.”

**Upcoming Events:**

American Flags will line Locust Ave (May 31 Memorial Day) –It was decided that Matt will be our liaison to the police for all events.

Summer banners will be put around Franklin Lake (June 21st) need to be displayed.

Fishing Derby – Saturday June 5th

Chair - Gina Neyhart

Update – We will need the trailer. PBA meets on 17th to confirm pizza. We need volunteers. Debbie and Lorraine will be there to sign in and registration.

Summer Rec – June 28 – August 6 grades 1-6

Director – Arianna Minaidis

Arianna is putting together a welcome packet for parents that will include all of the safety measures that will be taken for COVID. I met with Stephanie last week to go over counselors/salary/procedures. We decided that it will be the caregiver’s responsibility to check the heath status for their child before the arrive camp. They will be required to fill out a form that states their child has not had COVID/been in contact with someone who has/has not been out of state…the same kind of form the students fill out each day for school. It will all be done via Google Survey on a daily basis. All this will be included in the welcome packet. Arianna estimated that the bag and all of it’s contents will be 15.00 per camper. We were talking about whether or not the campers should leave their bags with contents at FAS each day to act as a cubby and that way they won’t forget it at home (thoughts?)

Decided – Drop off will be at the BME café so campers can put their lunch at their designated seat so no one else needs to handle it.

Blue Claws – July 6th – 12.00 per person/bring lunch, eat in picnic area – It was decided NO TRIPS

To date: Four returning counselors

Three new applications

Salary: Director - $6,500.00- Approved - $6750.00

Assistant Director - $3,400.00- Approved - $3500.00

Counselor - $12.00 per hour

Flyers are being updated and will be going up on FB by the end of the week and in virtual backpacks when approved by Superintendent.

We have decided to raise the fee from 230.00 to $250.00

Summer Concerts

Chair – Lorrain Strohmenger – Matt will notify the police of the Summer Concerts

PO requests have been filled out for:

Nashville Girls Night Out – July 9

West End Dogs – July 23

Bell Bottom Blues – August 27

Movie Night – Friday, September 24

Chair – Debbie Ronan

Fall Festival – October 17th Pick up supplies from Gasko’s on Thursday morning September 30th (decorate Oct. 9th)

Sue Trocchia – Vendor Chair

Matt Sniffen – Paddle boat will cost $150.00 per boat

Lantern Walk – Friday, November 19th

Chair- we need

Christmas Tree Lighting/Vendor Fair- December 4 & 5 (not confirmed that we can have a vendor fair. If not, we will only have a one day tree lighting event. Saturday, Dec. 4.

**New Business**

**Yoga in the park:**

We have talked about having yoga for the residents. Roseanne Manganelli is a certified yoga instructor and would like to run yoga classes at the gazeebo at Franklin Lake (see attached resume). It will be sponsored by the Rec Commission but it will not cost us anything. We have done this in the past. I believe the fee for residents will be $5.00 per person and classes will be held once a week. If it is well received, then we may have it twice a week. Once the Community Center is finished the program can be moved there when the weather gets cold. – Yoga in the Park -Approved

Roseanne is also interested in running other programs for seniors and once the Community Center is open, we can utilize the space when it’s not being used for some of the other activities.