

# **Somerville Recreation Commission**

Somerville New Jersey

March 18, 2015

The regularly scheduled session of the Somerville Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at The BOE Headquarters – Conference Room – 51 West Cliff Street, Somerville, New Jersey. The meeting came to order at 7:04 pm.

## **ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** (Chairman) Jason Kraska, (Vice Chairman) Zina Van Ness, Ken Cornell, Jay Scott, Tammy Stouchko, and (Recreation Director) Kathy Gerndt.

**ABSENT:** (Alternate) Jon Roethke

Chairman Jason Kraska opened the meeting and stated, "*The meeting will please come to order. Adequate notice of this meeting as required by the Open Meeting Act has been provided in that on January 1, 2015 a copy of a notice specifying the time, location and date was (1) posted upon the bulletin board outside of Borough Hall, (2) mailed to the Courier News, and (3) given to the Clerk Administrator. If any member of this body believes this meeting is being held in violations of the Open Meeting Act, please state your views at this time.*"

Hearing none, we moved to the next item on the agenda.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Z. Van Ness and seconded by J.Scott to approve the Minutes from the meeting on March 4, 2015. It was approved, 4-0-1 (Cornell abstained).

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:** None

**COMMUNICATION:** None

## **DIRECTOR & COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- 1. DIRECTOR-** K. Gerndt provided a brief synopsis of the classes attended at the NJRPA annual conference. Adult organizational softball meetings have been held. She also reported that the annual Easter Egg festivities will be held indoors due to the field conditions.
- 2. FACILITIES -** K. Gerndt reported that a resident alertly reported a water pipe leak/break at Walck Pool. It was promptly handled by the American Water Co.
- 3. FINANCE –** K. Gerndt reported current account balances.
- 4. PERSONNEL –** J. Kraska resigned as Chairman because of his recent appointment to the Borough Council. J. Kraska will assume the position of Council Liaison. J. Kraska nominated Jay Scott to the fill the vacancy and T. Stouchko seconded the motion. Approved 4-0-1 (Scott abstained). Jay Scott accepted the nomination.
- 5. PROGRAMS**
- 6. LIAISON -** Vacant

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Carol Pager Park – Jason Kraska reported that a bid package is still being prepared. Delays are inevitable.
2. Community Pools - Preliminary management proposals were reviewed. K. Gerndt will ask for references and additional information for further consideration. Hours of operation were established – 26 hours per week for nine weeks at both pools. Possible new water features were also discussed. K.Gerndt will get suggestions and estimates.

3. Spray Park -An ADA compliant shell for changing purposes will be delivered by June 1<sup>st</sup>. It will be placed near the bicycle rack. Signage is needed. K.Gerndt will look into purchasing three or four benches instead of fencing.
4. Scholarship – J. Scott provided additional information based on need. Discussed possibly recognizing military personnel .

***NEW BUSINESS:***

1. Somerville Basketball League- Kerry Foderingham would like to conduct an adult summer league on Sunday evenings at the Mercer Street courts. More information is required.
2. Cricket League – It was determined that the Somerville Cricket League should remain an affiliate and not become a Rec program.

***RESOLUTIONS:*** None

***APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:*** A motion was made by J. Scott and seconded by K. Cornell to approve one voucher for payment. Approved 5-0.

***EXECUTIVE SESSION:*** (NONE)

***ADJOURNMENT:***

There being no further business, T. Stouchko made a motion to adjourn, and Z. Van Ness seconded the motion. It was approved 5–0. The meeting adjourned at 8:54 pm. The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, April 8, 2015, at **7:00 pm**; held at the BOE Headquarters – Conference Room Location – 51 West Cliff Street, Somerville, NJ 08876.

Kathy Gerndt  
Acting as Secretary

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