

NEPTUNE TOWNSHIP RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING
Notes of March 20, 2012

In attendance: Verita Hill, Chappy Williams, Roger Brown, Niarra Harvey, Myan Morgan, Laria Hamilton, Maureen Ruotolo, and Dawn Thompson.

1. Call to Order – Dawn called the meeting to order at 6:00pm
2. Review of January Recreation Committee Meeting Notes
3. Report from Recreation Director—Dawn shared recreation information concerning:
 - Dawn provided the new 4th edition Rutgers Coaches' SAFTY Clinic on Monday, March 12. 23 coaches were in attendance (all from LL save one from Soccer & one coaching both).
 - **Spring recreation programs** continue, including Zumba, Line Dancing, Open Gym Basketball, Yoga, BINGO & Family Activity Nights.
 - Dawn reviewed the lineup of summer activities and events, including—a 6-week, full day Summer Rec, Alliance summer evening program, Mad Science Camp, Art Camp, Pony Grooming, Sailing, Multi-Sports & Squirts Camp, and Tennis Camp.
 - The Move & Improve Neptune group has met twice concerning the **\$50,000 ACHIEVE grant** through the CDC and NRPA for healthy eating and physical activity. The group is headed to Atlanta in April for training and is gearing up to start the assessment phase of the data collection.
 - We have recently changed the way we schedule field use for the various sport field user groups to comply with **Green Acres**. Initial meetings with Little League, American Youth Football & Cheer, and Soccer went well and new contracts are in the works through our township attorney.
4. Upcoming / Current Events—
 - Thanks in advance to Egg Hunt volunteers Roger, Verita, Chappy, Laria, & Maureen. We'll meet at 8:30am on Saturday, March 31 at Bert Willis Fields. Inclement weather date is April 7th.
 - Myan reported **Indoor Track** is winding down with most participants returning for the Summer outdoor season, starting soon on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 6-7:30pm at the outdoor track.
 - Verita shared that Neptune is hosting a Rugby Football Jamboree on Saturday, April 14 at Loffredo Fields. A free youth clinic for ages 8-18 is slated to start the day, followed by high school, men's, and women's games. The rugby group playing at the fields has been a good partner for Neptune AYF.
 - Dawn shared that **Biddy Basketball** held championship games this past Saturday and the All Star games are all day Saturday March 24 at the high school. Save one overtime charge from the BOE for custodian overtime, and a need to tighten up on youth awaiting play and hallway monitoring, the season went well. Laria shared that Biddy picture night was very disorganized and many parents are still waiting for pictures.
 - Roger shared that **Recreation Soccer** begins on April 14, with teams being picked this week. Many coaches are still needed. Roger asked about AED updates and a discussion followed surrounding the need to be certified to use an AED and if the Good Samaritan Law applies. (Note—Dawn gathered updated info—the proposed legislation (requiring AEDs at every game & practice) has been dropped; a new AED Good Samaritan Law is on the governor's desk—having been passed by both houses in February). It would allow the untrained public to use the AED and provide immunity.
 - **Veteran's Memorial Park**—Maureen, who is on the committee, shared that the fundraiser slated for May 6^t has been moved to May 20th—advance tix are \$20. Mark your calendars for Sept 28—as the park is the beneficiary of the Mayor's Ball proceeds. Brick pavers are on sale for the park walkway.
4. 5. Old / New Business—
 - **Neptune Riverfest**—is slated for September 29th.
 - New members present were **sworn in** for a one-year term.
6. Questions / comments were fielded from around the table.
7. Meeting adjourned at 7pm.

Next Meeting: 6pm Tuesday, May 15 in the Upstairs Library.

Tentative 2012 Meeting Dates: 6pm on May 15, June 19, July 17, September 18, November 20.