

**NEPTUNE TOWNSHIP RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Notes of January 26, 2011**

In attendance: Myan Nichols-Morgan, Michelle Moss, Verita Hill, Bridget James, Eric Haughtaling, Robert Lane, Roger Brown, Maureen Ruotolo, Charles (Chappy) Williams, Laria Hamilton, and Dawn Thompson.

1. Call to Order – Dawn called the meeting to order at 6:05pm
2. Review of November 18 Recreation Committee Meeting Notes
3. Report from Recreation Director—Dawn shared recreation information concerning:
  - Welcome to **first time meeting attendees**—Eric Houghtaling, Maureen Ruotolo, Charles (Chappy) Williams, and Laria Hamilton. Dawn will send a list of interested potential members for the Rec Committee to the Township Committee for consideration /approval.
  - Dawn gave an overview of the **Recreation Events & Calendar**, summer events & camp listings as well as an update on Summer Rec for 2011.
  - Dawn asked Rec Comm members to encourage everyone to sign up for the **Township e-mail blasts**.
  - **Recreation Relief**—no updates on this group or their fundraising efforts. The Committee reiterated the need for any donations to be run through the Rec Trust account.
  - **Family Activity Nights** and **Family BINGO Nights** which are alternating during winter months have been drawing a good crowd.
  - **Tree Lighting**—held December 3 was a nice event, slow in attendance at the beginning, but ending with a nice crowd. The post-event will likely move to the High School atrium / cafeteria area in 2011.
4. Upcoming / Current Events—
  - Our **Easter Egg Hunt** is scheduled for Saturday, April 16, 10am; inclement weather date April 23. Volunteers are asked to help with eggs at 8:30am.
  - **Summer Rec Registration** will begin February 1<sup>st</sup>. The 6-week program will run from 9–noon.
  - **Indoor Track**—Myan reported that Indoor Track has their last few meets upcoming—15 competing this Sunday in Toms River, and the last meet on Feb 27<sup>th</sup>.
  - **Biddy Basketball**—Michelle reported that Biddy is in its 3<sup>rd</sup> week of games. Uniforms are ordered and the teams are very competitive. The All-Star game still needs to be scheduled.
  - Roger shared that **Neptune Soccer** is taking on-line registrations for the spring season through Got Soccer. The **Indoor Winter Clinic** is set for Jan 29-March 5. Soccer will be approaching the Township Committee for permission to install a double-wide trailer at Sunshine Village.
  - Robert shared that his **U16 Travel Soccer** team is gearing up for spring.
  - **Pop Warner**—Verita shared that 2010 banquets just finished, closed registration starts in April, open registration starts in May, season starts August 1<sup>st</sup>, and an additional team is expected in 2011.
5. Old / New Business—
  - The **Rutgers SAFETY Coaches Clinic** is scheduled for Monday, March 14 from 6-9pm in Room B-11 of the Municipal Building. Each sports group is asked to notify their respective coaches & provide Dawn with a list of clinic attendees.
  - The group engaged in a discussion about handling **hardship cases** and **registration fees**.
  - Roger asked if the sports groups could get **Defibrillator Training** for their volunteers. Dawn will reach out to Neptune EMS to see if such training can be arranged.
  - 2011 **Sports Groups Contracts** are in discussion with the Township Committee and the Township Attorney, with a few anticipated changes.
  - Eric shared his appreciation for our sport leaders and recreation volunteers.
6. Questions / comments were fielded from around the table.
7. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm. **Next Meeting: February 23, 6pm in Room B-11, Municipal Building.**