

Borough of Wormleysburg
RECREATION BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, 4/7/15

Members Present: Linda Farver, George Kahler, Adam Nelson, Sue Stuart, Margie Stuski

Community Attendance: None

1. Chair Stuski called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers.
2. Ms. Stuski noted that she intended to bring Mr. Nelson's appointment to the next Borough Council meeting (on 4/14/15) to request Council confirmation.
3. Members discussed the requests to use the Dennis J. Redding, Sr. Memorial Park fields.
 - a. On motion made by Ms. Stuski and seconded by Ms. Stuart, the Recreation Board unanimously recommended to approve the request of the Good Shepherd Football group to utilize the field from July through November. That approval is contingent upon the program providing a complete schedule, a certificate of insurance, a list of all the adults involved in the program, and proof that clearances have been obtained for those involved.
 - b. In order to address the PA Alley Cats Softball team's request to use the part on Sundays through the end of July, we need to know whether the previous request to use the field is still valid. The Board requests that the Borough Manager determine the status.
 - c. The question of whether outside groups can clean, repair and/or maintain Borough property was discussed. It was agreed that, going forward, volunteers working on the fields and in the facilities should be monitored by either Borough employees or Board members. It was noted that Mr. Redding was typically present when work was done; however, going forward, projects should be arranged in advance to maintain work standards and allow for inspection and clean up. Timing should be scheduled to avoid unnecessary overtime whenever possible; however, that may not be practical. Additional communication and coordination will be required.
4. The Board discussed the new law that requires background checks for employees of organizations that work with children. The law does not require checks for volunteers. On motion made by Ms. Stuart and seconded by Mr. Kahler, the Recreation Board unanimously voted to request the Borough of Wormleysburg provide background checks for members. The motion was amended to include not only State Police checks, but also Megan's Law review.
5. The Easter Egg Hunt was held Saturday, March 28, 2015, in a snow storm. Rather than place the eggs in the snow-covered field, children were permitted to select plastic eggs from a large container and winners received prizes. About 50 kids attended. All received holiday candy.
 - a. On motion made by Mr. Kahler and seconded by Ms. Stuski, the Recreation Board unanimously voted to provide a \$25 gift card for the volunteer who acted as the Easter Bunny. This in appreciation for donating time for this event.
 - b. Next year, we will increase the quantity of prizes so more children are winners.

6. It was agreed that:
 - a. The agenda for the May meeting will be to clean out the holiday storage closet, which will be renovated into another bathroom.
 - b. We should plan well ahead for the Christmas party, to allow time to purchase, wrap and manage the gifts required. Last year, a large number of people attended without prior registration, so that will need to be taken into account.
 - c. We need a checklist of actions needed to carry out the various events. By example, a local grocery store is willing to provide cookies for decorating if asked sufficiently in advance.
 - d. We will work to organize the Board's work over the next few months.
 - e. We need to bring forward a recommendation regarding the placement of signage to memorialize the North Second Street Park for Mr. Redding.

7. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Stuart
Council Member, Borough of Wormleysburg