



## RECREATION COMMISSION

### Minutes

May 7, 2025 - 7:30 pm

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:35pm by Suz Stiles (both Chairman Michael Onuska and Vice-Chairman Bill Jacques were absent), who determined that this meeting was called in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq. Notice of this meeting was given by way of annual notice to the official newspapers, and posted at Borough Hall.

#### **SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Michael Onuska, Chair Person ( ); Bill Jacques, Vice Chair Person ( ); John Pennet, ( ); Mary Ann Weber (√); Suzanne Stiles (√); Curt Dahl, Council Liaison (√); Pierce Jubin ( ); Robert Weck (√); Dámaris Gray, Coordinator (√)

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:** Approval of the March 5, 2025 Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the March 5, 2025, meeting minutes was made by Mary Ann Weber and seconded by Robert Weck, all present were in favor.

#### **COORDINATOR'S REPORT: Update on 2025 Events through June** (provided at meeting)

- Field & Facilities Request – Watchung Rescue Squad will be conducting Training Drill for the State's Emergency Medical Services Helicopter Response
- Easter Egg Hunt outcome – A brief summary of the successful change of location which will be implemented again in the future in regards to inclement weather.
- Community Picnic – Donations for this event is very low compared to previous years. Commissioners present volunteered to participate in operating this event.
- Summer Camp – Registration has opened up to surrounding towns and week 4 is almost completely full. There are still some spaces in the other weeks.
- Block Party – Inflatables and entertainment are confirmed. The BAND LOST IN PLACE is also confirmed. So far, only three food trucks have committed.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:** (Attached hereto)

Pierce Jubin – resignation

Discussion was held regarding the advertising and appointment process for his replacement.

#### **VOUCHERS SUBMITTED FOR MAYOR/COUNCIL APPROVAL:**

Angelo Scarano Inc. (Portable Toilets for 2025) \$2,250.00

#### **Easter Egg Hunt:**

Entertainment with Sophistication (Disc Jockey) \$350.00

Damaris Gray (Re-imbusement for banner) \$19.71

Amazon – (Prizes) \$59.34

#### **Community Picnic:**

Any Excuse For A Party (Deposit for Inflatables/DJ) \$1,447.50

**Summer Camp:**

Turtle Back Zoo (Deposit)	\$776.93
Fred Dealaman Bus Service (Friday Trips)	\$2,420.00
Taylor Rental (tent delivery)	\$630.00
Big Blue Swim School	\$3,000.00
Fred Dealaman Bus Service (Round trip to Big Blue Swim School)	\$2,760.00

**Block Party:**

Party Perfect Rentals (Balance after credit from Winter Wonderland cancelation)	\$220.00
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**REPORTS OF CHAIR PERSONS:**

No reports were given for the following:

Recreation Basketball	Girls Traveling Basketball
Boys Traveling Basketball	Men's Basketball
Somerset County Activities	Volleyball
Special Events	Tennis

**OLD BUSINESS:**

No discussion was held on the following.

- Tennis & Pickleball Courts - Posting signs at the for Reservation Sign Up (Residents Only) – Completed
- Lighting around Watchung Lake – DPW status

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Nothing to report.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mary Ann Weber and seconded by John Pennett. The meeting was adjourned at 7:49. The next meeting is scheduled to be held Wednesday, September 3, 2025, 7:30pm at Borough Hall, at 15 Mountain Boulevard.

Respectfully submitted by,

*Dámaris Quñones-Gray*

Recreation Coordinator/Recording Secretary

Accepted: 8/27/2025