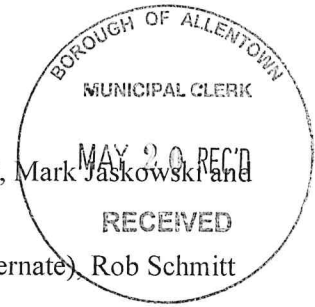


Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 24, 2020, 7:00pm

Present: Craig Rondinone (Chairperson), Michael Pleva, Barbara Pleva, Joe Sensi, Mark Jaskowski and Shawn Noel. Borough Council member John Elder was also present.

Absent: Diana Bamford, Michael Drennan (Council Liaison), Eileen Kuzma (Alternate), Rob Schmitt (Alternate)



Call to Order by Chairperson Craig Rondinone at 7:05pm and the following statement was read:

1. "In compliance with the 'Open Public Meetings Act', Chapter 231, PL 1975, Section 5, adequate notice has been given of this meeting by posting a Notice in a public space and by transmitting a notice to two newspapers, THE TIMES and the ASBURY PARK PRESS, as required by law."
2. Salute to flag
3. Minutes Review/Approval – Minutes from the January meeting were approved by Barbara Pleva and seconded by Joe Sensi.
4. Historic Allentown 5K Update – Craig Rondinone informed the Commission that he had been in contact with Allentown Clerk Laurie Roth about getting the paperwork started for the 2020 Historic Allentown 5K race. He also said that Bill from Best Race would be available to be the timer for the race on September 26th and that he would be in further contact with him in the coming weeks.
5. New Business/Playground available – Craig Rondinone informed the Commission about a playground that was available for free in Plainfield that was being given away. He polled the Commission to see if this could be an upgrade over the playground currently at Sarah Barnes Park. The Commission agreed it would be an upgrade and there should be further investigation but also agreed it should be forwarded to the Parks and Open Spaces Commission as this would be something they would need to look into as well. Craig said he would forward the playground information to the appropriate parties.
6. Old Business – Craig Rondinone announced that Barbara Pleva would be the Recreation Commission's representative for the Allentown Green Team. Barbara also explained that there had been a hiccup with the Allentown magnets that the Commission had ordered from Stitches N' Ink in Hightstown but that hopefully a new supplier would be able to fulfill our order with Stitches N' Ink in the coming weeks for the same agreed upon price.
7. Plans for Early 2020 -- The Commission discussed ideas for events for the early part of 2020. Craig Rondinone talked to a member of the New York Yankees ticketing department about a bus trip and that the Yankees would offer discounted tickets and a parking spot and that the Commission would need to charter a bus and sell the tickets to locals. Craig said he would send out which games were made available and what the pricing packages would be to the Commission. Mark Jaskowski said he would look into how much chartering a bus would cost. The Commission also talked about the idea of hosting a Movie Night at Heritage Park during the warmer months. Shawn Noel said he would look into projector/screen costs. The Commission agreed that they would only be able to host one of the events due to manpower and the work that is needed to put on the Historic Allentown 5K in September.
8. Next meeting – March 16, 2020 (subsequently cancelled)
9. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm