

The Keyport Recreation Committee Meeting held a Meeting on May 2, 2022 this meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM via zoom meeting. The meeting was called to order by Denise Nellis.

Present: David Quinn, Nancy Jones, Mary Holtz, Suzanne Ryan, Councilwoman McNamara, Denise Nellis, Secretary

Absent: Rebecca Kahane, Dottie Aumack Ezra Hill, Nicki Francis Amanda Jennings

Approval of Minutes from April 4th meeting

Motion to approve minutes was made by S. Ryan second by N. Jones with ayes by all present.

Update from Councilwoman McNamara –

- There were five Kayak lockers that were not renewed this year, there was a lottery to fill these lockers. Next year there will be lottery for all the lockers.

N. Jones stated that would make it fair. Her only question was in the past Recreation was able to give their input she wondered why they didn't have a say in any decisions this year.

Councilmember mentioned this year the contracts are either six or nine months so that this will allow the Borough to work on repairs for the lockers.

Councilmember asked if the committee members had any opinion on the Yoga on the Bay, she went straight to the Borough Administrator. Councilmember stated that she just heard about this last week and she didn't get to see the paper work. Councilmember stated that she assumes they are looking to do the same thing as in the past. One evening and one morning for Yoga by the Bay and she believes she is proposing the Tai Chi. M. Holtz felt that the programs were well received from the residents. Councilmember will speak to Jay regarding moving it along, she believes it starts sometime in June. There was discussion regarding whether it had to go out for quotes.

Councilmember stated that they are asked to switch in person meetings, the virtual meetings were set up by the Borough because of COVID, she believes that recreation are the last committee that is still virtual. The June meeting will be in person at Borough Hall.

Councilmember spoke about the forms for the 5K race she explained that when the event form was submitted it was put in as a place holder because the budget was not passed. In regards to the budget there is nothing officially done because the municipal budget has not been adopted, that will be on the May 17th Council agenda. When the place holder in she understands that there was a budget submitted and on the budget was the sweat shirts. It looks like the Governing Body didn't notice it last year and the consensus from Borough Hall was not in favor of the sweatshirts. If the committee wants her to go back and say anything to the full Council, she will. Regarding the sponsors coming off the feeling was that there are 20 platinum sponsors and to highlight just two of them on the form was a fair thing for the Borough to engage in. N. Jones stated that the only sponsor they have so far is Bayada, because they don't have a proper form. There was further discussion regarding having sponsors on the form.

N. Jones mentioned that she has never seen any Borough expenses for the 5K race, in regards to the police and DPW. She stated that she would like to see that because her sheet was never complete. Councilmember wanted to be clear regarding that, Mr. Delaney put a lot of work and time into complying for all the Borough events. What it cost for the police and DPW based on prior years estimating the cost and they just received information and for the 5K race the estimated cost for DPW was \$750.00 and the police was \$7,500.00. The total estimated cost would be \$8,250.00. She felt that it was helpful that she received the information. There was discussion regarding how other events compared to the 5K.

There was discussion regarding whether it was beneficial to have these types of events and whether the Borough wants to continue with these events.

Councilmember Davidson stated that there was never a question regarding the Borough wanting the events. She stated that they have the opportunity to see what the events are, how much they are costing across the board so they make sure that if there is a time that one of their departments are taxed they can say okay, it may cost less to hire someone or that they could cut back somewhere to make the events better for the town. She feels that this will bring everyone more aware of what goes into each event. She stated that Kathleen is correct, it is not that they don't want the events. N. Jones explained she just wanted to make sure, one thing she wanted to point out is that the committee members are volunteers and they have full time jobs and they can't always get the information requested immediately.

Senior Scholarship for the high school - The committee recommended Abby Kahane for the Central School and Giana Lamberson for the High School

Further discussion regarding placing the Recreation Award on the Facebook so that children that attend other schools that live in Keyport could be recommended.

Recreation Committee Polo Shirts – D. Nellis will send out email requesting size

Somerset Baseball Game – D. Nellis asked the group to please share the facebook post, she also mentioned that tickets are still available.

M. Holtz left the meeting at 7:36PM

Easter Bunny on the Fire Truck – N. Jones felt it was successful

Easter Egg Hunt – carried to the June meeting

Movies for the Summer: Purchase two of the movies that the library doesn't have and then donate them to the Library (we have done this in the past)

Rocky - amazon \$14.99

ET- Amazon \$8.99

Recreation committee stated that they were okay with purchasing these two movies and then donating to the Library.

Self Defense Class for May 4th and 11th - Councilmember has reached out to the field hockey coach to see if the team would be interested.

5K Race – Discussion regarding when the application can be placed on the webpage and facebook so that the runners could start signing up. N. Jones will work on getting the race open in RunSignUp and getting the news of the race to various running web sites.

Trunk or Treat – Carried to next meeting

Summer Mini Camps/Clinics – Carried to next meeting

Meeting Adjourned at 7:54pm

Next meeting scheduled for June 6, 2022 (in person)