

MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

215 Millstone Road Millstone NJ 08510

April 2, 2012 7:30pm

MEETING

T/Klehr calls the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

STATEMENT OF NOTICE AS REQUIRED BY P.L. 1975, C231 IS READ.

I HEREBY ANNOUNCE THAT PURSUANT TO THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT, ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN THE ANNUAL NOTICE OF MEETINGS WHICH WAS MAILED TO THE ASBURY PARK PRESS AND THE MESSENGER PRESS, POSTED ON THE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS BULLETIN BOARD IN TOWN HALL AND FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE TOWNSHIP CLERK ON DECEMBER 27, 2011.

ROLL CALL: Jim Bell absent, Bill Hanson present, Andrew Ferrara absent, Dominick Ricci present, Tracey Klehr present, Terrence Murphy present, Ken Simels present, Chris Morris present, Peter Kowal present

Vice Chairman opens the meeting to the public at 7:34 p.m.

T/Klehr invited the Joey Casimassima 18 Robbins Court, Jason Lane 3 Laurel Court, and Andy Clark 11 Dugan Court, Kim Casimassima 18 Robbins Court to address the board regarding a letter sent to the Recreation Department, Township Administrator and Township Committee liaison requesting a skate board park in Millstone Twp. The group discussed the various skate parks in neighboring towns such as Freehold, Jackson, Long Brach, & Hazlet which they utilize regularly. J/Casimassima informed the commission the various requirements townships institute for park admittance such as photo id and parental consent forms. K/Casimassima stated that she has observed Twp. security guards patrolling the skate parks. T/Murphy recommended the group reach out to the Millstone Ad Hoc committee to inquire if their proposal would be considered in Millstone Park's development. P/Kowal advised a club could be formed so the commission would be able to assess the amount of participation numbers involving Millstone youth and the age range. T/Klehr advised the group that Township ordinance 3-3.5 prohibits the use of skate boards at Twp. facilities/parks. T/Klehr discussed the liabilities the Twp. needs to consider, the cost of building, maintaining and supervising a skate park. T/Murphy requested K/Slisky contact Hazlet, Freehold and Jackson Townships to review their policies. The commission thanked Joey, Jason and Andy for taking the initiative for bringing their proposal to the commission and addressing the board.

Chairman closes the meeting to the public at 7:54 p.m.

AGENDA ITEMS

- **Tennis-** Tracey Klehr
T/Klehr gave a spring update to the Commission members. T/Klehr focused the need to keep class sizes small and not to exceed 8 players. Working in cooperation with Ho Scott Tennis, Professional, additional classes will be added once classes exceed the 8 player threshold. T/Klehr stated reducing the class size would be beneficial to the community. Concerns were raised if bringing in another instructor would result in the bid process. B/Hanson inquired what administrative role does Ho Scott perform and would that be compromised. K/Slisky advised the courts were resurfaced last spring but on a resent inspection a few cracks were noted and will be addressed. T/Klehr announced a Spring Youth Tournament is being planned for the end of the Spring session, more details will be provided at the May meeting.

- **Instructional Soccer-** Tracey Klehr
T/Klehr informed the commission the season is to begin Tuesday, April 16th and Saturday, April 21st. K/Slisky advised new goal nets, corner flags and cones have been delivered to the Brandywine shed in preparation the season opening. P/Kowal advised field 1 at Brandywine is resting. T/Klehr informed the commission that the Mini Maestro program is being offered on Saturday mornings in addition to Tuesdays. This is in a effort to reach working parents who are unable to attend weekdays. K/Slisky reported the fields are being mowed much earlier than in previous years due to the unusually warm winter. Fields on which games are being played are receiving particular attention. Regular mowing will begin on or about April 15th and the bathrooms will be opened. In the meantime, a portable unit has been placed.
- **Background check fees**
K/Slisky informed the commission their 100% approval of the Photo IDs will be provided to all volunteers. The lanyards will have a photo, name and the volunteer's background expiration date clearly visible. The ID will be required to be worn by volunteers while at practices and games. K/Slisky will coordinate the photo scheduling of our volunteers with the Twp. clerk's office.
- **Lacrosse-** Andy Ferrara
Tabled to the May meeting- Community Service recognition
K/Slisky reported the fields are being mowed much earlier than in previous years due to the unusually warm winter. Fields on which games are being played are receiving particular attention. Regular mowing will begin on or about April 15th. Recreation is coordinating the mowing (DPW) and stripping (JenLo) of the Lacrosse fields for the first time this year and has reported it has been successful.
- **Wagner Farm Park / Brandywine / Abate Park / Rocky Brook Park/ Millstone Park**
No Solicitation signs have been posted on the tennis court fences at the Abate and Rocky Brook Park. Also, the dog leash signs have been posted at the various parks. The construction of the storage area in the Brandywine shed is near completion. The Majority of the Materials were donated by AATOP Construction (Andrew Ferrara). The residual materials were paid for by the township.

The approval of a trophy case construction project by Poop Warner has been approved by the Commission. Pop Warner will be notified via letter the approval of the construction with the understanding once constructed the case will become Township property.

Re: A motion to contribute 50% of the cost not to exceed \$1600

Moved by C/Klehr, Seconded C/Ricci, Approved

After Care

The vote by each Commissioner, choices, Ayes, Nays, Abstain, Absent as follows:

VOTE:

Ayes: C/Klehr, C/Kowal, C/Simels, C/Ricci, C/Murphy, C/Ricci, C/Morris,
C/Hanson

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: C/Bell, C/Ferrara

- **Basketball- Ken Simels**
Review of Warriors Program Tabled to the MAY meeting

T/Klehr relayed to the Commission that the Special Needs Program was a success. Student volunteers received their recognition letters from the Recreation Department. K/Slisky noted a feature article in The Source from March issue described our growing program. The Link to the article is <http://mycommunitysource.com/sports/millstone-family-spreads-joy-of-basketball-to-special-needs-players/>

Summer Basketball Proposal

A motion to adopt a Summer Basketball Program

A (5) week Summer Basketball Program to run in conjunction with the Summer Camp dates, open to residents grades 4th to 12th grades, Tuesday and Thursday nights at Abate Park. A paid referee will be provided through the Recreation Department and be included in the registration fee. The approval of the program without a registration fee was made to ensure an appropriate time to advertise. The registration fee will be voted on at the May meeting, no registrations will be taken until the fee schedule has received a adopted.

The vote by each Commissioner, choices, Ayes, Nays, Abstain, Absent) as follows:

VOTE:

Ayes: C/Klehr, C/Hanson, C/ Simels, C/Ricci, C/Kowal C/Murphy

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: C/Bell, C/Ferrara, C/Morris

- Referee fees**

A motion to adopt current professional fees

- Junior Board \$ 8
- Basketball \$36 per game
- Basketball assigner \$550 for season
- Soccer Referee \$20 per game
- Wrestling referee \$40 per hour
- Tennis Instructor \$75 per registration
- Lacrosse officials

Girls 5/6 & 7/8	\$60.00 for 2 officials \$90.00 for 1 official
Girls 3/4	\$45.00 for 1 official
Boys	\$59.00 for 2 officials 88.50 for 1 official

The vote by each Commissioner, choices, Ayes, Nays, Abstain, Absent) as follows:

VOTE:

Ayes: C/Klehr, C/Hanson, C/ Simels, C/Ricci, C/Kowal C/Murphy

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: C/Bell, C/Ferrara, C/Morris

- New Business**

Mandatory CPR & First Aid Training for Coaches was discussed. K/Simels stated other township organizations are currently inquiring about classes. Further discussion will continue at the May meeting.

- Approval of March 7, 2012 Minutes**

Motion to approve, Moved B/Hanson, Seconded K/Simels, Carried

ROLL CALL: Jim Bell absent, Bill Hanson aye, Dom Ricci aye,
Ken Simels aye, Tracey Klehr aye, Terrence Murphy aye, Chris Morris absent, Peter Kowal aye

Motion to adjourn, Moved B/Hanson, Seconded P/Kowal, Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.