Millstone Township Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes September 10, 2018

Chairman Morris opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Reading of adequate Notice by Chairman Morris

Roll Call: Present: Morris, Simels, Adornetti, Peake, Russell, Aprile, Casale

Absent: Skowronski

## **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: June 4, 2018**

Chairman Morris made a Motion to approve and C/Adornetti offered a Second. Roll Call Vote: Morris, Adornetti, Russell, and Casale vote yes to approve the minutes.

**Public Comment**: Chairman Morris opened the public comment portion of the meeting at 7:31 p.m. Anthony Italiano, MUTS liaison addressed the Commission. MUTS provided training and materials for recreation coaches at start of the season. They are managing the Pre-k and Kindergarten program . MUTS had heard that Sportika might request field usage in exchange for indoor gym time at their facility. The current MUTS board does not support allowing Sportika access to Millstone soccer fields. C. Morris emphasized that Millstone recreation programs have priority of Millstone fields and there is no proposal by Sportika for any exchange of field usage.

Matt Pless addressed the Commission to ask about the conflict between dance companies using the Middle School gyms and recreational programs. He was informed that Recreation is working closely with Dr. Huss to minimize the impact of outside dance companies on gym time for recreation.

Tony Cacciotti, representing Casa Plumbing, addressed the Commission regarding business solicitation at Millstone Day. He suggested that there be more options for next year for businesses to advertise at Millstone Day aside from having a table.

Lacrosse-There needs to be a meeting with Lacrosse Board to address play time issues with last season. The Lacrosse Board was asked to come up with rules for playing time that are in keeping with the spirit of recreational play. At previous times, there was a limit placed on the number of players per team to promote quality play time.

Soccer – Recreation experienced strong numbers for pre-k, K and  $1^{st}/2^{nd}$  grade teams. The numbers for girls  $3^{rd}$  grade and above were very weak. The  $5^{th}-8^{th}$  grade girls team could not be formed.

MUTS – They are working well with recreation to run the Fall program. In regards to travel, a time frame needs to be provided for the transferring of funds over to recreation with rosters.

The Commission needs to get a clearer understanding of the Green Acre requirements as it applies to recreational programs hosting events at Millstone Park.

Wrestling- Recreation purchased 2 lightweight Resilite 7 piece mats totaling \$19,414.00. The Millstone BOE will be contributing 25% of the cost for this purchase. C/Peake discussed the need to secure the mats properly at either Wagner or the Middle School to prevent the mats from being damaged.

Basketball – Warriors – C/Adornetti stated that Warriors have tryouts September 15 and 22<sup>nd</sup>. Brian Davis and Matt Pless will be running the program. Warriors is planning a tournament for October. A discussion needs to take place with recreation about who will run the recreation basketball program.

Summer Camp – The Secretary noted that there are still outstanding balances for the extended care program. Chairman Morris requested that the Recreation Coordinator insure that anyone with an outstanding balance for camp settle their bill before being allowed to register for any other program. League Athletics should already be set up that way.

Millstone Day. – C/Russell stated that the Millstone Elks has obtained a permit to run a beer garden. The new signs look good this year and as long as the weather cooperates it should be a good day.

Pop Warner - The Secretary addressed the issue regarding the delay in paying referee fees to A&M Redbirds for last year. A motion was made to clarify the language on previously adopted motion #17-002 dated June 2017. Commissioner Peake moved the Motion and C/Adornetti offered a second. The wording change allows for referee fees **up to** \$80 per game and clock operators **up to** \$50 per game.

Township Parks - Chairman Morris stated that the Township is moving forward with improving security at Township properties.

Sub Boards – Chairman Morris asked the Commission to decide by the next meeting whether it wants to establish an approval process for recreational sub boards.

New Business –The Secretary asked the Commission to revise the way late fees are applied to families with multiple children. Currently, many families are being charged late fees for each child per program when they register late. This is resulting in many families deciding to not register especially those with 3 or more children. A motion was moved by Chairman Morris to apply a late fee per family per program rather than individual child. C/Adornetti offered a second. C/Morris, C/Adornetti, C/Simels, C/Peake, C/Russell, C/Aprile and C/Casale voted in Favor.

Seeing no further business, Chairman Morris made a Motion to Adjourn and C/Simels offered a second. By unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew DeFelice