

Forest Hills Recreation Board Minutes

September 12, 2011

Attendance: Barry Layton, Cheryl Finlay, David Fink, Ed Galloway, Tony Odorisio, Melissa Bell, Kevin Patterson

Absent: Oksana Linsuain, Kim Hall

Others: None.

I. Welcome

Board members continue to express concern that Oksana has not attended a meeting for several months in a row. We were pleased, however, to welcome Kevin Patterson, who attended his first rec board meeting. Barry Layton reported that Kim Hall has resigned her position on the board.

II. Approval of Previous Meeting Meetings from August 1, 2011

Moved by Finlay; seconded by Bell.

III. President's Report (Barry Layton)

Explained to Kevin how the board operates and what our role is, which continues to be undefined as the board members understand it. He read an email from Steve Karras asking for us to suggest budget items at our next meeting. There are no funds for resurfacing the tennis courts; grants very hard to come by. We need to take a closer look at the various fees the borough charges to use recreational areas and assess. In order to make any future recommendations on activities or costs, the rec board needs to have data to review. We need to know how many families joined the pool or tennis programs (early/late), how many people attend the pool, what fees are charged, etc.

IV. Pool/Swim Team Report (Ed Galloway)

Community members expressed disappointment to various rec board members that the pool was closed on a Saturday in August due to staffing. Is there any way rec board members can assist in such a situation? Can additional staff be temporarily hired during the summer if needed? Is there a borough policy which prevents this or is this an issue of properly training the staff or something else?

V. Tennis Report (Cheryl Finlay)

No report.

VI. Parks Report (Barry Layton)

Permit fees for WHYSA soccer received. New Propel school in Braddock Hills might be interested in using the parks for ultimate Frisbee program.

VII. Marketing and Events Director's Report (Cindy Simm)

Reminder that the Adult Fall Fest for adults in Forest Hills is scheduled for Saturday, November 5 from 7-10 PM at the pool lodge. Admission will be \$10 per person with all donations to benefit the pool.

VIII. Old Business

None.

IX. New Business

X. Adjourn

Moved by Finlay; seconded by Fink. The next meeting will be on Monday, October 3 at 7:00 PM at the Borough Building.