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**HOPATCONG RECREATION COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 12, 2002**

The meeting of the Hopatcong Recreation Commission was opened by Tim Carey at 8:00 p.m. with a statement that this meeting is held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-1 et seq., annual notice having been forwarded to The New Jersey Herald, The Daily Record and posted on the bulletin board maintained in the Municipal Building for public announcements.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Al Imbimbio (arrived at 8:17 p.m.)
Vince Poisella
Dennis Tobin
John Young
Tim Carey
ABSENT: Greg Cardena

Also in attendance were Joan Reilly, Acting Recreation Coordinator.

Tim Carey led the Salute To The Flag.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Ralph LoBue representing the Hopatcong Baseball Traveling Club, addressed the Recreation Commission stating that this a newly formed club and that he is one of the officers of this club. Mr. LoBue stated that this program will compete with the other traveling programs, ages 8 through 14 which will consist of seven different teams, all from Hopatcong residents, and will compete in the North Jersey League. Mr. LoBue also stated that they are an incorporated non-profit organization and is coming before the Recreation Commission to ask for a contribution to the club to offset the insurance costs for the first year.

Tim Carey asked Ralph LoBue if they would be needing Hopatcong Fields to play on and if they are anticipating practice nights.

Ralph agreed, that they would need the fields.

Dennis Tobin asked Ralph LoBue if this was just a one time request for the help with the insurance coverage.

Ralph said that was correct. He stated that they will be able to raise money in the fall for the next season and that the adults (not the children) would raise the funds.

MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

HOPATCONG FIELDS

Groups present this evening were ASA Softball, Traveling Baseball Club of Hopatcong, Hopatcong Adult Soccer, Hopatcong Hawks Soccer, Inc. and Little League.

Tim Carey announced that both Veteran's Fields are open this year.

John Young also announced that Hilltop One is Closed, Hilltop Two is open and Hilltop Three is closed. The Middle School Field will also be closed for the Spring.

Tim Carey and The Commission discussed where the teams would need space to play and where and how to place them.

Tim asked John Young to work out a schedule with Little League.

Adult Soccer needs one Sunday morning for the men over forty and a practice field for the women over thirty on Wednesday or Thursday night, and Monday and Thursday for men and women over eighteen.

Hopatcong Hawks are looking for Veteran's Fields I and II.

Tim Carey asked John Young to work out some type of schedule for the groups and Tim said The Commission still has to come up with Minor Girls Softball.

SUPPORT FOR THE TRAVELING BASEBALL CLUB OF HOPATCONG

Dennis Tobin made a motion to support a contribution for the insurance coverage to the Traveling Baseball Club of Hopatcong in the amount of \$975.00. John Young seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Tim Carey commented to the organization that all of the coaches take the volunteer coaching course from the State of New Jersey and the Commission would also like to present the behavioral program Vince Poisella introduced to the Commission for the players, parents and coaches behavior.

FIELD INSPECTION

The field inspections date will be changed from February 23rd to February 24, 2002.

UNCOLLECTED FUNDS

Dennis Tobin made a motion to do a resolution to remove uncollected funds from the Recreation account in the amount of \$376.00 for non-payment. John Young seconded the motion and all were in favor.

SALARY INCREASE FOR THE RECORDING SECRETARY

John Young made a motion to increase the salary for Marie Filoso, the Recording

Secretary, to \$75.00 a month, per meeting. Vince Poisella seconded the motion and all were in favor.

SALARY INCREASES FOR THE STAFF OF THE SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

A salary increase for the Summer Recreation Staff is as follows:

The Director to receive \$5000.00,

The Assistant Director to receive \$3000.00

The Third Director to receive \$2600.00

The Nurses' salary is left open (and the substitute nurse) subject to the experience that the nurse brings to the position.

John Young made a motion to increase the salaries of the Summer Recreation Staff. Al Imbimbio seconded the motion and all were in favor.

APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 8, 2002 MINUTES

Al Imbimbio made a motion to approve the January 8, 2002 minutes. Dennis Tobin seconded the motion and all were in favor with John Young abstaining for his absence at last month's meeting.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Vince Poisella commented that the next step on behalf of the behavior program is that he is going to meet with Tom Vara on March 6, 2002.

Al Imbimbio said the trips for the Circus and the Nets game are in the works. The Nets game is on March 22, 2002 and the Circus is on March 10, 2002. Al is also trying to schedule a museum trip.

John Young said the wrestling is winding down and that Hopatcong took fifth place.

Dennis Tobin said the basketball season will come to an end the last week of February. The boys are tied for first place.

Tim Carey announced that Debbie Armeno has been hired for the Recreation Coordinator position. Tim would also like to publicly thank Joan Reilly for the tremendous job that she has done for the past year and that we all appreciated her efforts and the great work that she has provided to the Commission and to wish her the best in her future endeavors.

Al Imbimbio made a motion to adjourn at 9:25 p.m. Dennis Tobin seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Filoso
Recording Secretary