

**LAUREL SPRINGS' RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2022
CHAIRMAN BRIAN HOFACKER PRESIDING**

OPEN MEETING ACT – Adequate notice of this meeting was given by faxing notices to The Retrospect and Courier Post on December 16, 2021 and posting on the Borough's bulletin board and website.

ROLL CALL recorded as present Hofacker, Straub, Falana, Straub, Tisera and DiMarco. Marked as absent, Plotts. Council Liaison Sam DelPidio was present.

PRESENTATION PORTION – Laurel Springs Resident Joe Emerson gave a brief introduction and background and introduced his wife saying they had now located in their home in Laurel Springs on Beech Avenue. They would like to be involved in the community and would like to build a vegan community group in Laurel Springs as an open-door resource and safe space within the community and build that community resource. They want to provide a place for nonviolence, philosophy, advocacy, nutrition, environmentalism and law practices, cooking vegan, holiday meals, meal planning and animal sanctuary in Williamstown. They would like to be part of the annual celebrations in the community, start conversations and education, and see what opportunity and ideas emerge. Councilman DelPidio asked when he would want to meet, which segued into a discussion of scheduling and submission of a synopsis of the program. There was discussion of community gardening. Mr. Hofacker wondered if it could be integrated with Laurel Springs School. Mrs. Tisera also was interested in contact information for her Senior Connections group.

MATTERS REQUIRING OFFICIAL ACTION

- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Meeting of April 6, 2022 - The motion by Hafer was seconded by Hofacker, with all in favor, none opposed.

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

- **LAUREL SPRINGS YOUTH ASSOCIATION** – Mr. Straub said the season started moving along. There was discussion of baseball being deposited in the plumbing of the Candy Stand. He doubted that it was any of the Laurel Springs Youth kids. There was discussion of the doors to the bathroom not always completely closing properly and speaking to the coaches about the proper way to secure the doors. There was discussion of the use of fields for practice.
- **MISS LAUREL SPRINGS PAGEANT** – Mrs. Hafer said she had nothing new.
- **SENIOR CONNECTIONS** – Mrs. Tisera said she had nothing until they can get started again.
- **LAUREL SPRINGS DAY** – Questions and components were discussed such as: letter to Downtown businesses, composition of Emergency Action Plan and JIF Event Form, School Grounds Stage placement transport and time for set up, location of electricity, placement of inflatables and J-Dogs requirements, Scavenger Hunt timing, coordination with Mr. Mahlman, portable toilets, certificate of Insurance, downtown vendors, transport of table and chairs, coordination, ROTC, trash detail, mapping spaces, traffic pattern, policing requirement and traffic signs.
- **TASTE OF LAUREL SPRINGS** – Mr. Hofacker discussed the premise of the idea as being in the potluck category and of when to hold the event. .

OTHER MATTERS OF DISCUSSION - none

PUBLIC PORTION – None

ANNOUNCEMENTS – the next Recreation Commission Meeting will be held Wednesday, June 1, 2022, 7 pm in the Recreation Center.

ADJOURNMENT – Upon the motion of Tisera, which was seconded by DiMarco, the commission adjourned at 7:51 pm, with all in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn T. Amadio, Recreation Secretary