

**LAUREL SPRINGS' RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2022**

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 Hafer, Hofacker, Tisera and DiMarco. Marked as absent, Falana and Straub

PRESENTATION PORTION – none

MATTERS REQUIRING OFFICIAL ACTION

- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Meeting of June 1, 2022 - The motion by DiMarco, was seconded by Plotts, with all in favor, none opposed.

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

- Senior Connections – Mrs. Tisera – had nothing to report. Planning is beginning.
- Go Vegan – Mr. Falana was absent
- Taste of Laurel Springs – Mr. Hofacker – there was discussion of the use of the hall, and that the rental process is active and seamless. Mr. Hofacker described a resident potluck, where each would receive one sampling free, with a card to categorize the samples. There was a discussion of no entrance fee. There were suggestions for calendar with set up from 4 – 6 pm. There was discussion of the number of participants and number of dishes and if a bonfire would be appropriate. It would be a fluid event with people in and out. There would be limited food providers with sign up cards and cards that give out the recipe. There was discussion of the guest number and discussion of 100 guests expected. There was discussion of opening, setting up, direction, utilities, card distribution, photography recipes, clean up, lock up and registration for people proving food. Regarding music there was discussion of an acoustic half hour and conversation of coffee and drinks. Available hall dates in October will be looked at.
- Tree Lighting and Winter Festival – Councilman DelPidio said he had contacted the carriage guy from last year. He was happy with the town event and will have another horse. Regarding the carolers, Brook Galezniak was contacted for all three hours this year. There was discussion of the route, vendors and food. It was discussed that it best if the Makers Workshop handle the vendors. There was discussion with Beautification Committee about wreaths and downtown décor. There was also discussion of electricity and lighting at the Cord Mansion. It was asked that ROTC, Laurel Springs School and Sterling High School and Dave Rommereide be contacted. There was conversation about the dates to do the decorating. There was conversation about Santa Claus and a recent retirement and where new resources could be found for that position. There was discussion of the use of the Train Station, and better positions, line up and routes for the carriage. There was discussion of fire truck access, and of the house decorating contest.

OTHER MATTERS OF DISCUSSION

- Tarkill Soccer Use of Fields – it was mentioned that Borough Council approved the use of the field, but that a certificate of insurance was not submitted.
- *Family Game Night – Mr. DiMarco discussed having a Game Night Committee by which he could have a regular event to promote family games like board games or something like the recent scavenger hunt at Laurel Springs Day.*
 - *Motion to appoint Game Night Committee by Mrs. Hafer, was seconded by Mrs. Tisera, with all in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.*
 - *The Committee should be added to the agenda.*
- *NJEA Grant – more details and winners will be forthcoming.*

PUBLIC PORTION – None

ANNOUNCEMENTS – the next Recreation Commission Meeting will be held Wednesday, October 5, 2022, 7 pm in the Recreation Center.

ADJOURNMENT – Upon the motion of Mr. Hofacker, which was seconded by Mrs. Tisera to adjourn at 7:53 pm, with all in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn T. Amadio, Recreation Secretary