

**NEPTUNE TOWNSHIP RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Notes of November 18, 2010**

In attendance: Myan Nichols-Morgan, Michelle Moss, Bridget James, Kevin McMillan, Niarra Harvey, Robert Lane, Roger Brown, and Dawn Thompson.

1. Call to Order – Dawn called the meeting to order at 6:05pm
2. Review of September 23 Recreation Committee Meeting Notes
3. Report from Recreation Director—Dawn shared recreation information concerning:
  - **Recreation Relief** a group of community volunteers is getting together and calling themselves the “Friends of Neptune Recreation” and working for Recreation Relief—helping to raise money to give to youth to participate in Neptune sports and camp programs. The group was directed to approach the Township Committee as a first step, and instead, a notice of the group’s first meeting was distributed. While we appreciate the cause of the group, I have some reservations about the term “Recreation Relief” and the group calling itself “Friends of Neptune Recreation”. We want to be sure that all the proper “rules” of fundraising & distributing are followed.
  - **Family Activity Night** was held Wednesday, and a crowd of approximately 35 enjoyed the high energy old-fashioned games.
  - **Family BINGO Night**—has been drawing a good crowd, and the winners enjoy the prizes.
  - **Halloween Event**—the Halloween event was attended with over 200 costumed children enjoying JoJo the DJ’s games and antics. Then they settled down for the classic movie, Charlie Brown’s the Great Pumpkin. We trimmed the event budget by cutting the magic act.
  - **Costume Contest**—new this year, residents were asked to e-mail us pictures of their costumed children for a chance at prizes. All six entrants were awarded prizes.
  - Neptune **Recreation Lacrosse** for the Middle School age students from Neptune Township and Neptune City is just finishing its first season.
  - Dawn asked Rec Comm members to encourage everyone to sign up for the **Township e-mail blasts**.
4. Upcoming / Current Events—
  - **Tree Lighting**—Set for Friday, December 3 at 6pm at the Municipal Building, followed by DJ dancing, and pictures with Santa at the Senior Center. We could use some adult volunteers for the event.
  - **Indoor Track**—Myan reported that Indoor Track started November 1, with 32 participants. Their first meet is December 12 in Toms River.
  - **Biddy Basketball**—Michelle and Kevin reported that Biddy teams have all been picked, and Biddy is participating in an upcoming Elks foul shooting contest.
  - Roger shared that **Neptune Soccer** finished the fall season two weeks ago and on-line registrations are already being taken for the spring season. The Indoor Winter Clinic is set for January-February. Roger will send Dawn information for an e-mail blast once all the spring dates have been set.
  - Robert shared that **U15 Travel Soccer** is playing on Tuesdays, practicing before spring tryouts.
  - **Pop Warner**—the group congratulated the Jr. Pee Wees on their recent run for the championships, with the final game scheduled for this Saturday! Dawn will reach out to Verita to see if she has any pictures or information that can be shared via the township e-mail blast.
5. Old / New Business—
  - Dawn reached out to Peter Bartlett to see if Neptune is implementing an e-backpack for students / parents so flyers (school & Recreation) can be sent home electronically. Peter shared that e-backpacks are not currently on the horizon.
  - In setting the 2011 meeting calendar, Dawn asked for confirmation that the fourth Thursday of the month works for every one. The group agreed and voiced that either 6pm or 7pm works well.
6. Questions / comments were fielded from around the table.
7. Meeting adjourned at 7 pm. **Next Meeting Date: January 27, 7pm at the Neptune Township Library.**