

114 Bridgeton Pike  
Mullica Hill, NJ 08062



(856) 223-8777  
(856) 478-6287

---

Harrison Township Recreation Meeting Minutes  
January 25, 2011 - 7:30 P.M.  
Reorganization & General Meeting

Call to order 7:35 PM.  
Adjourned 10:50 PM

Roll Call Members Present: Cathy Noakes, Stacy Lourie, Tom Roth, Vicki Walters, Robert Shearer, Mark Gravinese, Jack McElwee, and Sharon Chew. Active Volunteers: Vince Gangemi Sr., Peggy Read. Absent: Staci Gonskerkevis & Carl Guecia.

Open Public Meetings Act: Meeting was posted in the Gloucester County Times and on the HT website.

Nomination for Chair & Vice Chairman – Sharon Chew opened the meeting asking for nominations for Chairman. Mark Gravinese nominated Jack McElwee, the nomination was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cathy Noakes. The floor was opened to discussion. Jack informed everyone that he would not be in town on April 30<sup>th</sup> for Harrison Twp. Day. Sharon asked if there were any other nominations. Tom Roth nominated Cathy Noakes, the nomination was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jack McElwee. Cathy Noakes respectively declined the nomination. No further nominations were made. Roll Call Vote was taken for Jack's nomination as Chairman: Cathy Noakes - Aye; Stacy Lourie – Aye; Tom Roth - Aye; Vicki Walters - Aye; Mark Gravinese – Aye; Jack McElwee – Aye. 6-Aye, 0-Nay. Nominations were opened for Vice Chairman. Stacy Lourie nominated Mark Gravinese for Vice Chairman of Recreation. The nomination was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cathy Noakes. Roll Call Vote was taken: : Cathy Noakes - Aye; Stacy Lourie – Aye; Tom Roth - Aye; Vicki Walters - Aye; Jack McElwee – Aye; Mark Gravinese-Aye. 6-Aye, 0-Nay. Jack McElwee and Mark Gravinese were sworn in as Chairman and Vice Chairman, respectively by Committeeman Robert Shearer, the Township Committee liaison, representing the mayor.

Privilege of the Floor – Vince Gangemi, Sr. thanked everyone again for the plaque and proclamation at the township committee meeting on Wednesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>. Jack asked Vince just how long he has been a part of recreation. Vince actually started around 1987 when it was just a committee and sometime in the 90's it became a commission.

Request for Recreation – Sharon read an email from the PV Panthers Football & Cheerleading organization. The organization requested permission to sell Easter flowers in the Ella Harris Route 77 Parking Lot on April 22, 23 & 24<sup>th</sup>. All members present took no exception to the request. Recreation discussed further to recommend that PV Panthers sell Easter flowers at our

5K Hop N Run/Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. Again, no exceptions were taken by the members of the Commission. Sharon will notify PV and Public Works.

Corrections/Approval of December, 2010 minutes – Motion to approve by Stacy Lourie, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Roth. All approved.

### Old Business

- Advertising HTR – The Commission discussed advertising in the Clearview Musical booklet “Hairspray” Mark Gravinese made a motion to spend \$150 for a full page ad in Clearview High School play. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cathy Noakes. Roll call vote. Cathy Noakes - Aye; Stacy Lourie – Aye; Tom Roth - Aye; Vicki Walters - Aye; Mark Gravinese – Aye; Jack McElwee – Aye. 6-Aye, 0-Nay - motion carried. Mark will work on the ad. Jack would like to include information on the 5K Hop N Run, Easter Egg Hunt & HTD.
- Financial Reports on Holiday Bus Trips sponsored by the Recreation Commission – Sharon reported a combined total of \$1585.67 being raised by the Radio City, Sight & Sound, and Longwood Garden Bus Trips.
- Financial Report on Fall/Winter Programs sponsored by the Recreation Commission– Sharon reported a combined total of \$2340.00 raised by programs including Tennis, Squirts Camp, Aquatic Program, Tumblin’ Tots. Bob voiced his opinion of the Tennis Clinic, quote “I love it!”
- Financial Report on Sahara Sam’s – January 14<sup>th</sup> – Tom & Staci attended. Sharon reported raising \$100 for the Recreation Commission. Sahara Sam’s ran a special for \$14.95 which conflicted with our \$20.00 special price. Tom suggested using Coco Keys for the next fundraiser. Tom will reach out to a Harrison Twp. resident who is a manager at Coco Keys. Cathy suggested a letter in writing maybe to Sahara Sam’s Corporate offices. Tom will draft the letter for Jack’s signature with the Commission’s comments and concerns.

### New Business

- Valentine Bingo – Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> Volunteers have been confirmed: Jack, Cathy, John DiFelice, Mark, Vince & Sharon. Mark passed around the mini-version of our new bingo board he is constructing. Request for completion by Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>!
- Open Commission position – Stacy Lourie asked where we stood with the resumes. She suggested that we hurry with HTD right around the corner.
- Harrison Twp. Day plans – All members attending discussed the pre-planning list that Mark drafted. Changes and notes to the list will be emailed to recreation members.

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30PM

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by Stacy Lourie and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cathy Noakes. All were in favor.