

Egg Harbor Township Recreation Commission Meeting  
EHT Community Center 5045 English Creek Avenue  
Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234

REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, April 12, 2017

7:00 pm

Minutes

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m.

III. Opening Statement Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act

IV. Roll Call: Robert Fairfield, Chair - Present Charles Gallagher - Present  
Carmen Messina, Vice Chair -Present Justin Riggs - Present  
Toni Rispoli - Present Paul Weldon – Present  
Kathy Fiedor - Absent Kevin Stetser - Present  
William Warrell - Present

Rick Audet – Director of Recreation- Present

V. Reading/Acceptance of Minutes

a. Minutes – March 22, 2017

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Vice Chair Messina. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gallagher. The minutes were approved by a vote of 8-0.

VI. EHT Recognized Youth Sports Groups –

EHT Soccer-

President Christine Gras, 19 Jefferson Ave., EHT, indicated that tryouts for the Travel teams are underway. Many EHT players have returned. Christine is hoping that none of the teams will need non-resident players. Christine said there is a problem with the shed door. Director Audet stated that he will advise Public Works of the problem.

EHT BMX-

President Stan Russ, 3 Patrician Terrace, EHT, discussed the track. Three layers of soil tech and a slurry mix of glue has been placed on the track. EHT BMX track was nominated as one of the top forty five tracks in the country. Stan indicated that they are interested in hosting a national race. A proposal for a National/Regional Race would be submitted to USABMX in 2018. If accepted BMX would need to submit plans for hotels, campers, concessions, traffic and staffing.

Director Audet said all would need to be coordinated with Township through the Clerk's office special event permit process. The Township does not want overnight camping at Veteran's Park. Stan indicated that he may have an alternate site off of Zion Road for the campers.

**EHTBA-**

President Bob Webber, 38 LaCosta Drive, EHT, stated that Baseball is in their second week. The number of participants has grown. They have 600+ players plus the Travel teams. Games are scheduled for Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays. Fridays are for make-up games. Public Works will mow the fields two to three times a week. C-Scape will take care of the other days. The 12U Travel team coached by Rodney Velardi has held four tryout sessions. Originally all of the previous members of the team were given spots. The parents chose to leave and place their child on another team. By-Laws will be changed to move the coaching selection from August to July. Vice-Chair Messina advised Bob that a by-law committee should be selected. They need to address issues. By-Laws are not designed to hurt the children. Board Members and Coaches need to be held accountable. All money taken in by EHTBA must be deposited within a 48 hour time period.

**VII. Public Comment**

BMX President Stan Russ stated that several riders have qualified for the Texas Qualifier.

**Public comment closed at 7:53 p.m.**

**VIII. Old Business**

- a. Recreation Commission by-laws.

Changes to the by-laws include but are not limited to the following. Page 4 Article VI

Elections held in January. Alternates will not vote when all Regular members are present.

Commissioner Warrell questioned this as the Alternates have always voted. It was explained that the practice is to ensure a quorum. Recreation Dedicated Trust Account is a State requirement.

Vice-Chair Messina made a motion to pass the first reading. Commissioner Weldon seconded the motion. By a vote of 8-0 the motion passed.

**IX. Use of Facility Requests**

- a. EHTHS Boys Soccer Booster Club- Tony Canale Park on August 20, 2017 to welcome the families to EHTHS Soccer. Commissioner Warrell made the motion to approve. Commissioner Riggs seconded the motion. Approved by a vote of 8-0.

- b. EHT Travel Basketball- 3V3 tournament at Bargaintown Park Basketball courts on June 3, 2017. Commissioner Warrell made the motion to approve. Commissioner Weldon seconded the motion. By a vote of 8-0 the motion passed.

**X. Director's Report**

**XI. New Business**

- a. EHTYO- Commissioner Warrell questioned whether YO has a policy regarding the duration a coach may be removed from the program. Bill felt that it should be stipulated. Director Audet responded that this should be covered by their by-laws.
- b. Street Hockey court replacement is in our Capital for 2017.
- c. Lacrosse by-laws- Vice-Chair Messina will review the by-laws and send changes to Lacrosse for their review and adoption.
- d. EHTYO Financials – Documentation and receipts will be obtained.

**XII. Correspondence**

**EHT Youth Group Minutes**

- A. Baseball Association –3/2/17
- B. BMX – 3/21/17
- C. Youth Organization – 2/1/17
- D. Jr. Wrestling – last received 2/14/17
- E. Lacrosse – last received 2/7/17
- F. Soccer Club – 3/14/17
- G. Street Hockey Association –last received 2/27/17
- H. Travel Basketball – last received 2/9/17
- I. Youth Softball – last received 2/7/17

**Handouts**

- a. Letter to Youth Groups regarding alcohol and tobacco in parks
- b. EHTBA game schedules – 10U, 12U Divisions
- c. EHTBA March 2017 financials report
- d. EHT Lacrosse- Board of Directors list and 2017 by-laws
- e. EHTSC- Spring 2017 game schedules (on file in the office) Micro and Rec
- f. EHTYO- 2016 Audit summary
- g. EHTSC- Spring 2017 rosters Micro & Intramural
- h. PW Ground Summary Report March/April
- i. EHT Sponsored Youth Groups summary of required materials

**XIII. Tabled Matters**

**XIV. Public Comment opened/closed 9:16 p.m.**

**XV. Adjournment**

Motion was made by Commissioner Gallagher	Seconded by Commissioner Riggs
Vote	8-0

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Robert Fairfield, Chairman

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Toni Rispoli, Secretary

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These minutes were approved at the May 10, 2017

Recreation Commission Meeting