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TENAFLY RECREATION BOARD
Minutes – March 11, 2013

- I. ROLL CALL:** Matthew Mercurio, Carol Roux, Robert Silber, David Reichel, Jeff Pattison, Monica Zaccario, Steve Hamersma, Ed Salaski-Board of Education Liaison, Nadia LaMastra-Council Liaison
- ABSENT:** Naomi McDermott, Sara Levinson, Amy Lerner-Alpine Liaison
- II. MINUTES:** February 11, 2013 **Mr. Reichel motions to accept the minutes, Mr. Hamersma seconds the motion, all in favor the motion is carried.**
- III. AUDIENCE:**
- IV. CORRESPONDENCE:**
- 1.** Letter from Chief Chamberlain re: Fingerprinting-Mr. Mercurio reports that Chief Chamberlain recommends that fingerprints/background checks should be done every five years. Mr. Reichel and Mr. Pattison feel that it is unfortunate that the fingerprints cannot be stored by Segam Morpho. Mrs. LaMastra states that the ordinance states yearly and the mayor and council would need to approve the change and she feels that things can change yearly and that 5 years is too long a time to wait. Mr. Pattison feels that we will lose volunteer coaches if we require fingerprinting every year. Mrs. Zaccario feels that 5 years is a long time to wait to recheck. **Mr. Reichel motions to recommend to the mayor and council that fingerprinting be done the first year and on year two and three only state checks with social security numbers be run and then year 4 back to fingerprinting as long as there is no privacy issue with social security numbers, Mrs. Zaccario seconds, all in favor, the motion is carried.**
- V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**
- 1.** Softball Update-Mr. Mercurio reports that the advisory board wants to go under little league, the president of little league agrees to take over girls softball. The advisory board feels it is too late this year to make the change. The advisory board will be back in April or May and they would like to be under little league for fall ball. Mr. Hamersma asks if the group realize that they drop on the priority list for fields. Mr. Mercurio states that they know that they will be behind any recreation sponsored sports and that if we have Lacrosse they will be bumped. Monica states that we are trying to build for the high school. Mrs. Zaccario states that non residents were allowed to play travel and that Tenafly kids should be first, asking if Little League will continue with that policy. Mrs. Zaccario inquires whether Little League allows Tenafly to play over non residents, children who attend schools in Tenafly. Mr. Pattison states that soccer and basketball treat kids who go to school in town as Tenafly kids. Mr. Mercurio states that Little League would like to have a separate softball board. Mr. Silber what is the advisory boards feel they will get

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from little league, Mr. Mercurio states that the advisory board feel Little League is more established and they have a structure that works. Mr. Mercurio states that the recreation office receives a large amount of calls from parents asking questions about Little League since we are available and an actually person to speak to.

2. Program Update-Mr. Mercurio reports registration for Spring and Summer began today.
3. NJRPA Conference-Mr. Mercurio states that he will have a report next month. He states that the concussion class was interesting.
4. Skate park-Mr. Mercurio states that we have a new maintenance person at 15 hours a week and we will be hiring a new site supervisor. Mr. Mercurio states that Chief Chamberlain has been sending officers to check the skate park periodically. We will be putting signs up regarding no trespassing.
5. Youth Tiger Football-Mr. Mercurio reports that a team in the league dropped, Mahwah is the new team in the league, they will only be sending their B and D teams.
6. Men's/Co-Ed Softball Leagues-Mr. Mercurio states that meetings will be held on March 19th. We will be shortening the season to 12 games so other groups can have field time. We will be getting full information on residents/non residents. Mr. Jaeger asked for field time for captain practices for high school soccer.
7. Lacrosse Update-Mr. Mercurio reports that this year we will be offering K-8 clinics on Sunday afternoons at TMS for 6 weeks being held by Extreme Lacrosse. Harry Wool is working with high school students to play away games and practice on Saturdays starting April 21st. We will be sending flyers out soon the cost is \$85.00. Mr. Reichel states there is a team in Northern Valley.
8. Administrative Fees Update-Fees will not be used for community activities the mayor and council included the amount in the budget.
9. National Night Out/Community Night-Mr. Mercurio states that there will be a meeting held with himself, Mrs. Roux, Chief Chamberlain and Sergeant Roux to discuss plans.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Fitness Equipment-Mrs. Lamastra will check with the mayor and council on the status.
2. Co-sponsorship- This issue has been tabled until next month **Mrs. Zaccario motions to table the discussion, Mr. Reichel seconds, all in favor motion is carried**
3. Concession Stand-Mr. Mercurio will check regarding names for the plaque, We will be purchasing cabinets soon and the maintenance men will install them. Mrs. LaMastra suggests that Mr. Mercurio check with Mr. Blackwell the fire inspector regarding where a vent will go before cabinets are purchased.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

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VIII. SPECIAL EVENTS:

1. Egg Hunt-March 30th 1:00, Roosevelt Common (1 hunt)FYI
2. Fireworks, Wednesday, July 3, Tenaflly High School, Rain date July 6th FYI
3. Independence Day Celebration, Thursday, July 4, Roosevelt Commons, Rain date, July 6th FYI

IX. ADJOURNMENT: 8:24 pm

Mrs. Zaccario motions to adjourn, Mr. Pattison seconds all in favor , the motion is carried.