

**MINUTES OF THE ORGANIZATION MEETING OF THE BOARD OF  
RECREATION COMMISSIONERS FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF  
WANTAGE, HELD AT THE WANTAGE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL  
BUILDING, ON JANUARY 27, 2010.**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Board President Duane Armstrong called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Lorraine Card, Kevin Carey, Jennifer Cary, Karen Merritt, Greg Williams, Duane Armstrong.

Absent: Evelyn Baig, Christine Feroanzo.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT COMPLIANCE**

Mr. Armstrong stated, "This meeting is being held in compliance with the provisions of the Open Public meetings Act, Public laws of 1975 Chapter 231. It has been properly advertised and certified".

**NOMINATIONS**

Mr. Armstrong called for nominations for the office of President and Vice President for Wantage Township Recreation Commission for the Year 2010.

On motion by Mrs. Cary seconded by Mrs. Card, Mr. Armstrong was nominated for President for the year 2010.

Roll Call: Card, Carey, Cary, Merritt, Williams. Carried. Abstain: Mr. Armstrong. Nays: None. Absent: Mrs. Baig, Mrs. Feoranzo.

On motion by Mrs. Card seconded by Mrs. Cary, Mr. Williams was nominated for Vice President for the year 2010.

Roll Call: Card, Carey, Cary, Merritt, Armstrong. Yes, Carried. Abstain: Williams. Nays: None. Absent: Baig, Feoranzo.

On motion by Mr. Williams seconded by Mr. Armstrong, Jeanne McBride was nominated Board Secretary for the Year 2010.

Roll Call: Card, Carey, Cary, Merritt, Williams, Armstrong. Yes, Carried. Nays: None. Absent: Mrs. Baig, Feoranzo.

**MEETING SCHEDULE AND NAMING THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR THE BOARD OF RECREATION COMMISSION.**

Mr. Armstrong moved to establish the regular meeting nights of the Recreation Commission for calendar year 2010 as per the attached resolution. Mr. Carey seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Card, Carey, Cary, Merritt, Williams, Armatrong. Yes, Carried. Nays: None. Absent: Baig, Feoranzo.

<b>Location:</b>	Wantage Township Municipal Building, 888 Rt. 23, Wantage NJ	
	<b>Date:</b>	<b>Time:</b>
	February 24, 2010	7:30 pm
	March 24, 2010	7:30 pm
	April 28, 2010	7:30 pm
	May 26, 2010	7:30 pm
	June 23, 2010	7:30 pm
	July 28, 2010	7:30 pm
	August 25, 2010	7:30 pm
	September 22, 2010	7:30 pm
	October 27, 2010	7:30 pm
	December 1, 2010	7:30 pm
	January 26, 2011	Organization Meeting 7:30 pm

Mrs. Card made the motion to name the New Jersey Herald and the New Jersey Sunday Herald the official newspapers for the Wantage Recreation Commission. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. Roll call: Card, Carey, Cary, Merritt, Williams, Armstrong. Yes, Carried. Nays: None. Absent: Baig, Feoranzo.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Dog Park:

Mr. Baker reported the much anticipated driveway paving will take place this spring. Dog Fancy Magazine interviewed Mr. Baker, the Wantage Dog Park is a candidate for the #1 Dog Park in the Country. Recent dog bites at the park required Mr. Baker to suggest banning dogs that break skin from the park. Mr. Abate, the Animal Control Officer feels that would be too strong of punishment. Mr. Abate, Mr. Baker and the Recreation Commission agreed to change the rule to one year probation for the first offence. The rule change will be forwarded to the Governing Body for approval.

High Point Midget Football:

Mr. Pfeil updated the Commission regarding the new football field. Sussex Rural has agreed to bring electric to the field at no cost. Offers to remove trees at no cost were also received. Mrs. McBride suggested Mr. Pfeil to contact the Sussex County Health Department to make sure the area proposed for the Concession Stand is approved for a well and septic. Mr. Pfeil stated currently there are no

plans for a well and septic, just the building, but will inquire with Mr. Pellow. A grant writer is exploring the possibility of a grant to help pay for the Musco lighting that will be installed at the field. If during the off season other teams are interested in using the field, High Point Football would consider renting or leasing the lights. Mr. Pfeil will send the expected times that the lights would be in use. Plans for the announcer's booth, bleaches and score board will be forwarded; each will have a permanent plaque attached with the name of the person or business that made the donation.

Veterans Memorial:

Mr. Williams informed the Commission that the Granite Monoliths will be delivered in April. The Memorial is on track for a May dedication ceremony.

### **COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS**

Mrs. Merritt reported Mayor Clara Nuss said "the Commission did an excellent job on the Christmas Tree Lighting. The tree has never looked so beautiful."

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mrs. Cary suggested a trike-a-thon to sponsor St. Jude's Hospital. The Commission agreed to explore the idea with Mrs. Cary.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mr. Williams made the motion to approve the minutes of December 2, 2009. Mrs. Card seconded the motion. Ayes: Card, Carey, Cary, Merritt, Williams, Armstrong. Nays: none. Absent: Baig, Feoranzo.

### **OPEN PUBLIC SESSION:**

None.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Mr. Williams and seconded by Mr. Armstrong. Ayes: Card, Carey, Cary, Merritt, Williams, Armstrong. Nays: None. Absent: Baig, Feoranzo.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeanne McBride, Board Secretary