

**COMMISSION FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2012
2ND FLOOR FOYER 7:05 P.M.
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Note: These are summary minutes. A tape recording of this meeting is on file in Wolcott Town Hall, Commission Secretary's Office.

Chairperson Clair called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:05 p.m., with the Pledge of Allegiance and attendance was taken.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Amanda Clair, Kelly DelGobbo, Chairperson Gloria Clair, Laurie Glasser, Bobbi Thompson and Sharon Valerio

MEMBERS ABSENT: Donald Vallancourt, Fran Culver, Joann Crandall and Colleen Miller

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Regular Meeting – September 18, 2012.

Upon **MOTION** by Kelly DelGobbo, seconded by Amanda Clair, it was unanimously voted to accept the minutes of the September 18, 2012 regular meeting with the following amendments: remove "Scovills" and replace with "Woodtick Recreation Area".

RECREATION

- *Recreation Coordinator's Report*

Ms. Clair was present to report that bowling started and everything is going well. She also noted that they have a new group home that is starting. She informed the commission members that the **Autumn Dance is Friday October 19th at the Youth Center** and Josh Mears is the DJ. They will have refreshments which are provided by the Columbinettes. She also noted they Mr. Vallancourt informed her that they have leftover water and juice in the shed. She also stated for upcoming events she is stilling planning them. Also, November they will have an Arts & Crafts and game night. In December they will have a Holiday Dance. Also, in January they will have a movie night and they are looking for a projector so they could watch movies and have popcorn (see attached).

Mrs. Delgobbo inquired if any of the members had looked at the Wolcott Community News because she placed a couple of upcoming events and she wanted to know if they were there, at which time the commission members said they haven't had time to look at it.

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairperson Clair inquired if any of the commission members had any thoughts regarding fund raisers which they discussed at the last meeting at which time Mrs. Valerio said that she looked into a pasta dinner. She also informed the commission members that they could have a Tupperware party; she explained that they will receive 40% of profit from the sales. She also said they would have to find a consultant. She also said they can do a Can Shake, Flocking Flamingo's and a Penny Wars. Also, they can have a "Give a Buck" (see attached).

Chairperson Clair stated that she will contact Walsh's and Pat's IGA.

Ms. Clair mentioned that she could speak with Joe about a Bowl- A- thon.

Chairperson Clair thanked Mrs. Valerio for doing a great job regarding fund raisers. She also informed the commission members that Circle of Sports has not contacted her as of yet because they honored two of their athletes. She noted that she has a list of athlete and she inquired if the commission members could pick two names. After brief a discussion they chose Lois Mackler and Sean Chamberland.

She also noted that they were supposed to have a speaker tonight but she could not make it.

Mrs. Thompson stated that Faith McGurk who used to a Special Ed teacher at Wolcott High runs a vocational program and she placed two students at Wakelee. She supervises the students who are still in school and she finds vocational placements for them. She noted that this is a nice program.

Chairperson Clair pointed out in October of 2010 that they passed a motion, that if a commissioner misses two or more meetings they need to contact the secretary. The commission members decided that they should send a letter to members that have missed meetings.

Mrs. Valerio advised the commission that her daughter is interested in being a commission member, at which time Mrs. Clair advised her to write a letter to the Mayor.

Chairperson Clair mentioned that they should have an informational session when they have events so if the parents have any questions or problems they can help them.

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The commission said they could sponsor it not the school. Mrs. Thompson said she will speak with Mr. Macary to see if they could send out the information through the schools.

Mrs. Valerio suggested that they could send out a survey to see what topics that they would like to speak about.

CORRESPONDENCE/PUBLICITY

There were none.

ACCESSIBILITY

There were none.

TRANSPORTATION

There were none.

PUBLIC REQUESTS

There were none.

OLD BUSINESS

There were none.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Valerio noted that one of their participants is moving to Naugatuck and she was wondering if she could still participate in Special Games at which time Chairperson Clair said she doesn't have a problem with that.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon **MOTION** by Sharon Valerio, seconded by Amanda Clair, it was unanimously

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voted to adjourn at 7:35 pm.

APPROVED:

Gloria Clair, Chairperson

Dolores Distiso Secretary