

**COMMISSION FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS
REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2014
2ND FLOOR FOYER 7:00 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 6:00p.m., with the Pledge of Allegiance and attendance was taken.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairperson Gloria Clair, Amanda Clair, Donald Vallancourt, Colleen Miller, Sarah Gerard, Kelly DelGobbo, Bobbi Thompson, Sandy Amato and Laurie Glasser (arrived at 7:15pm)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Fran Culver and Sharon Valerio

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Regular Meeting – June 17, 2014

Upon **MOTION** by Colleen Miller, seconded by Bobbi Thompson, it was unanimously voted to accept the minutes of the June 17, 2014 regular Meeting

RECREATION

- *Recreation Coordinator's Report*

Ms. Clair was present to report the following:

- Rainbow Camp

She noted that it ran from July 9th to August 17th. She added that they had no problems this year and everything went smoothly.

She informed the commission members that she had Emily Caffrey and Robin Japs as directors. The returning staff was: Jessica Clifford, Frankie Miranda, Brandon Lanzara and the new staff members were Amanda Japs and Kate Anderson. Also, they had half day staff, Seth

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Mulhall and Janice Gallagher.

She stated that there were no issues reported regarding staff this year. On their mid-season evaluations the directors noted that the staff were using their cell phones when not permitted and that everyone was spoken to and the final elevations it was stated that it had improved.

Also, the campers' attendance averaged about 10 campers a day, at which time she submitted the breakdown (see attached).

- Field Trips

She informed the commission that the field trips were the following: Rock Cats baseball game, summer school, Action Wildlife, Lake Quassy, Lake Compounce, Froyo, and Perillo's bowling and the Wolcott Fair.

She noted that there was a field trip at a trampoline place that they asked if they could try, but they decided not to go. She added that they have a special needs program there. She said she will look into it for a monthly event for them.

- Incident reports

She noted that the only incident that they had was campers fell on the playground and got scratched knees and minor first aid was administered. Also, they fell near the swings and scraped their shins. She added they have an incident report and the parents were informed and they had to sign it. Also, they had no behavioral problems.

- Volunteers

She noted that the volunteers did a great a job and she is recommending that they come back next year.

Also, she stated that they spent less money than the previous year and

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she will be purchasing art and crafts from S&S.

She noted that they had their end of year picnic and it went nice and she wanted to thank everyone who attended.

- Stricker's Bowling League

She noted that they flyer will be sent out. She noted that bowling will start on October 18th through April 18th at Perillos from 10:00 am to 12:00. the bowlers will be paying \$7.00 a week. She stated that she has two returning staff members, one new staff and she needs more.

She noted that they will be having a dance on **Friday September 26th** at the **Youth Center** from **5:30pm to 8:30 pm** and the flyer was sent out. She noted that Josh Mears will be the DJ and they will be serving pizza and Columianettes will be helping.

Mrs. Miller inquired if there is charge for the dance and Ms. Clair replied \$2.00.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairperson Clair was present to report the following:

She noted they went out to dinner after special games and it was nice. She stated that she received a phone call from Rosalie Moffa thanking them for inviting her, and said that she had a good time and would like to be included in any other social events that they have.

She indicated that Mrs. Amato, Mrs. Valerio and herself wrote and sent thank you notes to everyone who helped at Special Games. Also, she wanted to thank the Arc of Southington for allowing them to use their facility.

She noted that she was more active with Rainbow Camp this year. She stated that Mrs. Delgobbo and she did an audit. Also, she wanted to

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state what a wonderful job Ms. Clair and Mrs. Valerio did in hiring the staff and to Ms. Clair for all the work that she did on Rainbow Day Camp.

She noted that she had to write an annual report for the Town of Wolcott (see attached).

- Handicapped bathroom

She mentioned that when she was voting in the primary in August. She noticed a problem with a “handicapped” bathroom. She attended an open house with the superintendent at the end of August and reported the problem. She noted that Mr. Macary will be looking into it and will be performing an ADA audit of the building.

- Tag Sale

She noted that they will be having a Tag sale on September 20th at the Woodtick Recreation Area. She plans on being there around 7 am to setup. She noted that they have four confirmed vendors and multiple people who have donated items to sell. Also, Mike F. and Danielle S. will be there for the day to help. She asked if anyone has bags or newspaper that they can bring. Also, they need helpers.

- Expenditure report

Chairperson Clair informed the commission that she has the expenditure report at which time she handed out to the commission members (see attached).

- New Foundation

She advised the commission that they are a have an event at East Street Eatery on September 27th from 2:00 to 5:00. They will be having food, entertainment, raffle and door prizes.

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- Ziti Dinner

She noted that the dinner will be on October 16th at the East Street Eatery 141 East Street from 5:30 – 8:30. The cost is \$12.00 per person, children under 5 are free, and 6- 1 are \$6.00. Their cost is \$7.50 for adults. This includes ziti meatballs, salad, bread and soda. She stated that she has the tickets tonight. Also they will have a raffle. She asked the commission members if they could purchase a prize.

Mrs. Miller suggested that they should do a 50/50 raffle.

She added that Special Games will be May 16th 2015.

CORRESPONDENCE/PUBLICITY

There were none.

ACCESSIBILITY

There was none.

TRANSPORTATION

There were none.

PUBLIC REQUESTS

There were none.

OLD BUSINESS

There were none.

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NEW BUSINESS

There were none.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was none.

AJOURNMENT

Upon **MOTION** by Kelly DelGobbo, seconded by Bobbi Thompson, it was unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:00 pm.

APPROVED:

Gloria Clair, Chairperson

Dolores Distiso Secretary