

**Dunellen Recreation Commission
Meeting Agenda
December 8, @ 7:00 pm**

Type of Meeting: Monthly Recreation Meeting @ the Senior Center.

Meeting Facilitator: Jim Brennan

Commission Members: Jim Brennan (Facilitator), Chris Cashin, Kathy Wilson, Tim Howard, Grace Cordero, Elena Buccino, BJ Johnson. **Alternates:** Jessica Dunne and Colin Hunt and Laura Ruskuski

Councilmember- Crisol-Iris Lantz (Council Liaison to the Recreation Department)

Recreation Director: Kelly Seader

A. Call to Order: 7:06

B. Roll Call: James Brennan, Kathy Wilson, BJ Johnson, Tim Howard, Grace Cordero

Absent: Chris Cashin, Elena Buccino, Jess Dunne, Colin Hunt

D. Follow up from the last meeting: Accept the minutes from last meeting 1st- Kathy, 2nd- BJ

E. Open Issues:

1. **Christmas Tree Lighting:** Took place on Sunday, December 7 at 6:00 PM. Karl Geiger and his 5th-grade choir performed sing-alongs, and the Imperial Brass band also performed as they have in the past. Santa was escorted in by the Fire Department and arrived at 6:20. **The Brass Band was very good; they played for an hour. Karl Geiger and the choir were great. The line for photos with Santa was longer, and the kids and everyone in line were very well-behaved and appreciative of the event. Next year we will add extra garbage cans near the rotary. Having one person take the pictures and one person help direct them out. Next year also play Christmas music after the band wraps up, while people are still waiting in line.**
2. **House decorating contest:** Registration closes 12/12. We currently have 14 houses registered. Judging will take place from Dec 15-21. House lights should be kept on until 10. We have yard signs for the houses. Who can help judge this year? **Bj and Tim can help judge.**
3. **Santa Around Town:** This year, we will begin on the north side of town. Cookies were ordered from Costco. **85 boxes of cookies have been ordered.**
4. **Menorah Lighting December 16:** **We will be having a Rabbi speak about the meaning of Hannukah, the Mayor will give a few words, and Gelt will be given out to guests.**
5. **Recreation Basketball:** registration is ongoing. We currently have 76 children registered for the program. **We currently have 76 kids registered, last year we had 85. We are still almost a month out until the program begins. We could possibly hit 100 children. Flyers were distributed to all classes at Faber. It is been advertised through Facebook, email blasts, digital sign and bulletin boards. Grouping them a little different this year. In the past it has been K-1, 2-4 split into two groups, 5-6. This year I have K alone, 1-2, 3-4, 5-6. Next year we would want to extend it to 7th and 8th graders. Reach out to Luke Petterson and Danny Watts to see if they are interested in working.**

F. New Issues:

- 1. Senior Citizen Holiday Luncheon:** Will take place on Sunday January 4th at the Fire House. **The luncheon will take place at 1:30. The menu will be: Chicken Marsala, Potatoes, Cream of Chicken, green beans. Karl is set for entertainment. Cake from Costco for dessert.**

Upcoming Events:

Adjournment: 7:52- 1st: Grace, 2nd: BJ