



# TOWN OF AMENIA

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## **Amenia Recreation Commission Meeting – January 14, 2025**

Town Hall: 6:30pm

In Attendance:

- Commission Members: Pete McCaffrey, Judy Moran, DJ Reilly, Juan Torres, Josh Simpson
- Rec Director: Paul Bogin
- Town Board: Nicole Ahearn, Rosanna Hamm
- Participants: Marianne Pitts

### **Reorganization:**

Motions made and approved for:

- Chairman – Judy Moran
- Secretary – Peter McCaffrey

Public Meeting Schedule:

- Jan – Dec: Second Tuesday of the Month at 6:30pm

Reorganization meeting closed at 6:45pm

Monthly Meeting opened at 6:45pm

### **Business:**

- **Minutes approved:** December 10<sup>th</sup>
- **Roles / Responsibilities / Expectations for Recreation Directors**
  - Provided Paul a copy of current Rec Director Responsibilities/Expectations for feedback
  - Sent to commission members for feedback and refinement.
- **Tree Pruning Class:** (Marianne Pitts)
  - Will offer Pruning Workshop to Town Residents
    - Feb 8<sup>th</sup> at Town Hall at 11am.
    - Free hands-on workshop sponsored by Amenia Garden Club.
  - Would like to pursue designation for the town as a “tree city” through Arbor Day Foundation. Commission recommended bringing this idea to the Town Board. There are requirements including a budget and annual tree planting.
  - Related to this is an ask to Identify a native town tree for Town of Amenia.

- **Adult Swimming Program:**
  - Establish a budgeting process to support a Swimming program where revenues coming in can be used to offset program costs which are largely the cost of Lifeguards in this case.
  - Rosanna to inquire with Marge what the process would need to be to establish a budget line and allow for revenue recovery for new recreation activities like Adult Swim.
  
- **Open Basketball Night at Town Hall**
  - Request the creation of an Open Basketball Night
  - Asking Paul to develop a program schedule for the Town Hall Gym and coordinating it with Dawn and other programs to avoid conflicts.
  - Rec commission is supportive of programs like this.
  
- **Ice Skating Program & Platform Tennis at Silo Ridge:**
  - Proposal from Silo Ridge for Open Ice Skating and Platform Tennis starting Monday Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> for 3 sessions (Feb 3, Feb 10, and Feb 24)
  - Proposal includes what Silo Ridge to supply and what Amenia Recreation Commission to provide.
  - Cost to Amenia Rec is \$500 a week to cover cost of Silo Club labor and material
  - Sourced funding from existing Program Development and Trip line items
  - Judy to follow-up with Silo to finalize program and terms
  - Paul to work on registration process and promotion.
  
- **Music Series:**
  - Paul to work to schedule the 6 bands for 2025 season
  - Recommended that we request that the Town establish policy for Food Trucks
  - Rec Commission to capture key learnings from 2023 and 2024 to pass on to Paul B.
  
- **Amenia Green Project** – Update from Jane Didona
  - Email updated provided by Jane with attachment for Soil Testing Map and Engineering analysis email.
  - Target February meeting for next Commission update.

Next regular meeting is February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 6:30pm at Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted.

Peter McCaffrey, Secretary