

Skatium Ice Rink Advisory Board Minutes – December 13, 2016

The next Meeting is scheduled for: January 17, 2017, 7:30 p.m. at the Skatium, 2nd Floor

Attendees: Barbara Latsios, Adam Terranova, Karen Samulenas, and Charles McGarvey.

Absence: Commissioner Steve D’Emilio; Joe Noone, Drew Simcox and Rich Caesar.

There was no representative from Skatium management and no messages indicating that they would not attend. There is also concern that this is the second month when no numbers were shared with the Board.

Barbara Latsios started the meeting at 7:30 p.m. The December meeting was moved up one week due to the pending Holidays and scheduling conflicts with members.

- 1 The November 15, 2016 minutes were approved.
- 2 Public comments: There were no public comments.
- 3 As stated above there was no representative from Skatium management present at the meeting. At the November 15th meeting Bob Adams stated that Rick Turnbull was not feeling well and Bob did not have any numbers to share with the Board. **This is the second meeting where the numbers were not supplied to the Board.**
- 4 The Board members discussed the Ice Rink Advisory Board’s End-of-Year report and letter to the Commissioners. It was determined that all items will be prioritized and presented to Rich Caesar who has volunteered to present the report. The Board determined that the final draft will be reviewed at the January 17, 2017 Board meeting and Rich will make his presentation to the Commissioners at the February 13th general Commissioner’s meeting. **Joe Noone or Rich Caesar will call the Township to reserve the time for the presentation.**
- 5 Chas and Adam discussed some of the issues that have been reoccurring at the Skatium. These issues include lack of trash removal from evening to morning practice; lack of communication regarding events and theme nights at the rink; and the lack of communication between skatium management and the Ice Rink Advisory Board and the willingness of Skatium management to work with the Board on revenue generating ideas. They have heard people express concern about how things are being run and maintained.
- 6 Adam suggested that the Board ask the Commissioner’s if they would agree to allowing the Board to generate questions and ask Skatium customers (customers renting ice time) what they would like to say change/remain the same at the Skatium. The Board members liked the idea and thought it was a good opportunity to get some feedback from the people that use the facility.
- 7 Adam also brought up the fact that during the pending closure of the Skatium from April 30 through May 30, 2017 if Rick has considered and planned for the lost revenue during the 4-5 weeks of the planned shutdown. No one from the Board has heard or has seen anything that would take the loss of income into consideration. The Board is concerned with what Skatium management plans to do to try and re-coup some of the lost income while they have the opportunity.

- 8 No one from the Board has heard back from Skatium management on their plans for the summer hockey camps. This was brought up at the October 2016 meeting and it has not been addressed. The Board is concerned that while other rinks have already announced their plans the Skatium has not made any definitive plans on activities for the 2017 summer.
- 9 Barbara adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

The next Meeting is scheduled for: Tuesday, January 17, 2017 @ 7:30 p.m. at the Skatium.

