

## **TEWKSBURY EQUESTRIAN COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES For Thursday December 3, 2015**

The Tewksbury Equestrian Committee met on the above date in the municipal Meeting Hall, 60 Water Street, Mountainville, NJ. The meeting was called to order at 7:30PM, a roll call was held and a quorum was established.

**Present:** Loren Spiotta-DiMare (LSD), Melissa Caikoski (MC), Anya Mulhauser (AM)

**Absent:** Patti Clucas

**Public:** Charlotte Bech-Hansen of 139 Fairmount Road West was in attendance.

### **OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT**

LSD opened the meeting by announcing that adequate notice of the meeting had been provided, by posting a copy thereof on the Police/Administration building bulletin board, and that a copy was faxed to the Hunterdon Review and the Hunterdon County Democrat, and that it was filed with the Municipal Clerk.

### **Flag Salute**

Those present stood and pledged allegiance to the American flag.

### **Minutes of Meeting October 1**

Those present approved the minutes of the meeting October 1.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**The Equine Alert System** appeared in the Tewksbury Times on the front page. MC suggested a follow up flyer should be posted announcing that it is now up and running. AM will create the new flyer.

**CART** - The TEC will continue to pursue working together with CART on the Equine Alert System. CART has a horse trailer, but lacks the insurance to use it.

### **Large Animal Rescue Training**

LSD proposed that the TEC would revisit this in the New Year with the possibility of sending a representative of the township (Police Chief, Fire Chief) to rescue training. This person would return from training and teach the firemen and police officers how to deal with a large animal in distress.

MC proposed that all police cruisers should have a halter, lead rope and a bucket of grain in the event they need to catch a loose horse. MC will ask the Police Chief if they would be open to this idea. If so, AM will inquire with the tack Shop in Califon about donations of these items.

**Brochure**

The brochure is complete. LSD supplied the plastic holders and it is now ready for distribution.

**Banner**

LSD proposed that the TEC pursue having a banner printed in the New Year for those events that the TEC has a table to represent the committee.

**Women's Club**

Agrees to have a brunch annually- possibly even quarterly. Representatives from all committees would be present.

**Budget**

\$250 Horse Crossing/Warning Signs (the TEC would like to increase that amount)

\$200 Miscellaneous

\$2,750 Trail and jump maintenance at Christie Hoffman

\$350 Welcome Buckets

**NEW BUSINESS**

In lieu of monthly, LSD discussed the possibility of meeting every other month. AM and MC were in favor.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 by motion of LSD. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Caikoski

Tewksbury Township Equestrian Committee