

# MAYOR'S YOUTH GROUP



## Meeting Minutes 05/09/15

**Meeting opened @ 1:09 pm**

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Pond Clean Up** - Thomas Van Winkle informed the group, about the pond clean up, which will be held on 06/06/15 from 9:00-1:00 @ Otto Pehle Pond. The rain date is scheduled for 06/10/15 @ 4:00pm. (Announcement was distributed)

Mayor White shared with the group that the Passaic Valley Sewer Commission is going to clean the area on May 30<sup>th</sup>. They will tend to the overgrown brush and trim trees and bushes. Mayor White explained the necessity of not interfering with some of the important habitats that we may view as a nuisance but serve environmental purposes. The youth group will focus on any debris around the lake and close to the banks. Our youth group will also meet Rick Rodriguez the “River Man”, who will give some of the participants a lesson in kayaking and go over the safety rules. There will be about 2, two person kayaks put in the water to be navigated by an adult and child for the clean up.

Thomas inquired about what clothing should be worn the day of the clean up and suggested no one wear their Mayor's Youth Group T-shirts, because they will be ruined.

Mayor White explained that a list of recommended clothing, including sunscreen, will be distributed and posted on our website in advance. The Township will provide things such as rubber gloves, garbage bags, and hopefully some tools to assist with collecting trash.

The group discussed if hats, bracelets, or other items should be purchased for the group to commemorate the event. Both hats and bracelets were favored.

Mayor White also said that lunch will be provided the day of the clean up.

**Fishing Derby** - All are welcome to participate in the event. There will be no major role in the youth group the day of the fishing contest. However, Mayor White thinks that it is a good idea to post reminders at the derby for people to pick up and properly dispose their trash.

**300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** - Thomas shared with the group many of the facts pertaining to Saddle Brook. Chairman is Chief Kugler. Several idea were shared regarding how the youth group can be apart of the celebration. We will have many more idea and suggestions once the 300<sup>th</sup> committee meets, hopefully at the end of this month. Mayor White added he would like to see a poster contest to honor the anniversary and the winner would be announced at one of the 300<sup>th</sup> events as well as be displayed. Tom then suggested the involvement with our churches in the township and possibly having dedication services throughout the celebrations.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

The Easter Celebration was a success. The video can be viewed on the township's television station and Facebook, along with photos.

**Motion was made to close** the meeting by Tom and seconded by Xavier

**Meeting was adjourned at 1:48pm.**