

**Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes  
For  
(04-14-2016)**

**Date:** April 14, 2016  
**When:** 3:00 PM.  
**Where:** Portage Township Office – 47240 Green Acres Road,  
Houghton, MI 49931

**Who Present:** John Ollila and Bill Bingham (Rec. Comm. Members),  
& Bruce Petersen, Supervisor

**Discussion Points:**

- A lengthy discussion ensued concerning Axel Rivera's request to use the Dodgeville Ice Rink as a site for the 21/22 Games laser tag. Bill has looked up some facts concerning laser tag – the modern version of paintball. Nationally participation breaks down in age groups as follows:

06-12 yrs = 47%, 13-17 yrs=28%, 18-25 yrs=14%, 26 + yrs=11%

It is very popular in metropolitan centers right now.

The committee was very unsure as to how the public will use the new rink and surface after all last falls construction. The numbers of hours requested were also a concern given the fact the committee did not know about summer demand.

**SO:** The Committee decided to forgo letting 21/22 use the Ice Rink this year – Next year after public usage over the summer months of the new cement ice surface is surmised the committee would entertain another request for 21/22 summer scheduled usage.

**Public Comment:** None present.

**Meeting Adjourned** at 4:05 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Bruce Petersen  
Portage Twp. Supervisor