

Board of Recreation minutes
February 6th 2013

Call to order: Jim DiVita @ 7:00 pm

Members in attendance- Kurt Williams, Lois Clough , Brian Shaughnessy, Jim DiVita, Lou Fracasso ,Kurt Root, George Mills, Diane Ransom

Director Tricia Twomey,

Absent: Lou Fracasso

Approval of Last Meeting Minutes: Approval of January 9 th 2013 minutes
Motion to accept by Diane Ransom, Seconded Brian Shaughnessy : Vote: Unanimous

Public comment-

LoisClough:

Had a parent contact her who was unable to attend meeting. Pertains to 7 year old child and age changes in this upcoming year baseball season. Lois indicated that parent attempted initial contact via baseball call line and had not received response with 48 hrs. Tricia to give details to Kurt Williams and he will forward info to Winsted Youth Baseball Board members.

Agenda Review:-

George Mills: New Business: New Program Request (Kids Fest)

Kurt Williams: New Business :Skate Park Update

Chairman's report- Reminder that any board member who wants to place agenda item(s) should contact Jim prior to him finalizing agenda and submission to Town Clerk.

Director's report- Tricia Twomey: Highlights from Directors report

- A. 2012-2013 Budget . Currently freezing as much as possible. Approx 61 % spent to date. There should be enough for the 2 budgeted workers for Spring start up activities. Beginning to draft out 2013-2014 budget. Will be very similar to last year's submission. This may not be realistic due to financial constraints but necessary in Directors opinion.(4 Maintainers, same compliment of Life guards and camp councilors', Full time director position)
- B. Easter: : Set for March 23rd ; Ages 1-4 10:00am, Ages 5-8 10:15 am. Rec members should arrive at 9:30 am. Location to be at Pearson. Inclement weather , event to be held inside. Also looking at Easter egg decoration contest.
- C. Playground Fund raiser: \$150 recently donated.
- D: Penguin Plunge: Set for Feb 9th @ 12:00pm. YMCA Chicken Swim @ 2:30pm: Due to impending Winter Storm a decision will be made Thursday 2/7 to cancel/postpone.

Committee Reports-

Youth Basketball: Kurt Williams/Kurt Root

Recreation Basketball: Saturday morning program going well. Continued excellent weekly turn out. T Shirts distributed in late January. Target 3/16 end date.

Rt 44 / Northwest League Basketball:

Girls 5/6 team : Currently 8-1

Girls 7/8 team: Currently 5-5 most games lost were within 10 pt margin.

Boys 5/6 teams : Winsted A team currently 3-4 and Winsted B team 5-3. Will complete a 12 game schedule and commence 3/2

Boys 7/8 team : Rt 44 : Still looking for 1st win . Playoffs to commence 3/16

Baseball: Kurt Williams

Initial Tri-town meeting held 1/24(New Hartford, Winsted, Barkhamsted, Colebrook/Norfolk).

Hand out with 2013 WYL board members information presented to Board members. Announced that Tim OMeara resigned due to work related conflicts and WYL is actively looking for his replacement in T/Ball/ALeague. Registration dates slated in February at Pearson during Saturday am Basketball and also at Town Hall.

Kurt Williams presented board members with aerial view of fields for discussion possible action on improvements/changes discussed during January meeting. Tricia would like to table these discussions until March meeting . This additional time will allow for her to pull in necessary individuals for detailed discussions /input. Item will be a topic in March meeting .

Mens Basketball: Kurt Root

Currently in week number 5. Total of 15 teams . League running well to date. Still a few teams that Kurt is working on a payment plan with .

New Business:

George Mills: Based on input from a parent he would like to see if the Kids Fest could be coordinated this upcoming year. Additionally George would like to initiate dialogue with the Soldier Monument Cmte . regarding any interest in Civil or Revolutionary War reenactment activities. George should contact Pete Sylvester who is Chairman of Soldier Monument.Cmte. George will report back at later date.

Kurt Williams: Skate Park: Need to remove /repair damaged equipment. Tricia indicated that this is one of the first items to be addressed in the spring. Tricia to work on budgeetary cost for piece replacement. Perhaps if/when money becomes available from Rec accounts it could be utilized for Skate park apparatus enhancement.

Old Business:

Lois Clough: Need to address more timely issuance of meeting minutes based on Town Manager memo.

Brian Shaughnessy: Wondering status of Fireman Carnival this year and if there are any ideas that the board could offer if this does not occur for any reason.

Tricia working with Sr. Center Director Ellen Schroeder exploring a new fitness program for seniors based on summer program run by Justin McEnroe.

Adjournment

Adjourn @8:15 pm; Motion by Kurt Root , Second Diane Ransom : Vote : Unanimous

Next Meeting March 6th ,2013 @ 7:00pm Town Hall

Respectfully Submitted,

Kurt D Williams
Recreation Board Secretary

The Above Minutes Have Not Been Approved By The Recreation Board. Approval Date Will Be Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting.