

Board of Recreation minutes
April 3rd 2013

Call to order: Jim DiVita @ 7:05 pm

Introduction of new board member Tim Wheeler

Members in attendance- Kurt Williams, Lois Clough , Jim DiVita, ,Kurt Root, George Mills, Diane Ransom ,Tim Wheeler
Brian Shaughnessy , Lou Fracasso (arrive 7:15 pm)

Director Tricia Twomey,

Absent: Kurt Root

Approval of Last Meeting Minutes:

Approval of March 13th 2013 minutes

Motion to accept by Lois Clough, Seconded George Mills: Vote:7 favor 1 abstention

Public comment-

Paul Gibson/Al Royer : WYB

Presented board members with information pertaining to new dug out construction on Rowley St. New flood plain and A2 survey issues need to be addressed. WYB working with Town Mgr to resolve/fast track. Looking for Rec board to approve moving forward with dug outs so project can be presented to Planning & Zoning. Rec Board discussed for future volunteer construction type projects the need for a guidance checklist to be developed so all parties are aware of necessary steps of project. Tricia to draft check list for consideration.

Motion by Brian Shaughnessy to approve dug out construction for consideration by Planning and Zoning , seconded by Tim Wheeler . Vote 7 favor 1 against

Matt Closson:

Follow up to March meeting pertaining to son moving up to A League from T ball. Dialogue between board members, Matt ,Paul and Al. Agreement that evaluation will be performed once A league season starts.

Tricia to follow up on Insurance question pertaining to 4 yr old participation

Agenda Review:-

George Mills: New Business: Volleyball

Lois Clough: New Business: Field Policy

Tricia Twomey: Dir. Report J: Farmers Market

Chairman's report-

Reemphasis on having item(s) related to Winsted Recreation and field /facilities upgrades brought to Recreation board for discussion /approval.

Skate Board Park: Newspaper will be doing an article in the near future. Apparatus found in parking lot and returned after notice posted. Recommending a sub committee be formed to evaluate park needs/future. Will discuss more at May meeting. One item which may be worth following up on is surplus equipment from other communities.

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

- A. 2012-2013 Budget . Selectmen to amend as needed within the next few weeks. Board review of FY 12 financials to date provided in members meeting package.
 - B. Field Modifications : Review of Jeff Hale proposal dated 3/20/13 for skinning back Rowley field for Girls softball. Target late June /July for work if go ahead is given. Estimation that \$5000 will be needed for infield clay (100 yards) for the project. Tricia to investigate where the \$5000 will come from.
- Motion by Diane Ransom to have project move forward pending insurance cert from Jeff Hale and go out to bid for clay. Seconded by Tim Wheeler. Vote: Unanimous
- C. Easter: Event went off @ Pearson gym without any issues. Well attended 140-160 children. Thanks to the Fire department for Easter Bunny attendance.
 - D. Playground Fund raiser: April 18th 6:30 pm Green Building is next scheduled meeting. Committee is looking for more involvement
 - E. Home Run Derby: Scheduled for August 10th with a rain date of August 11th. Benefits to go to CRISS Radio.
 - F. New Bathrooms: Project will not commence most likely until after baseball season. Funding and project management needs to be verified.
 - G: Skate Board Park: Photo collage and information attached to Rec Member meeting package. Based on inspection 5-6 pieces will need to be removed in the spring due to damage. Replacement cost estimates are required so some type of direction can be recommended for skate park . More discussion to be held at May meeting
 - H: Senior Fitness Class: Collaborative effort between Rec Dept and Sr. Center. First class to be held April 15th. Classes Mondays 10-11 am @ Sr. Center
 - I. Highland Lake Relay: First planning meeting scheduled for held 3/26 .August 17th is targeted event date.
 - J. Farmers Market: Tricia gave overview of this year venue and board agreed that Farmer market organizers do not need to meet with Rec board this year prior to getting approval for East End Park usage.

Committee Reports-

Youth Basketball: Kurt Williams

Recreation Basketball: Saturday morning program scheduled to finished 3/16 with Pizza and refreshments. Completed Program Survey forms given to Tricia

Board review of financial report prepared by Tricia and submitted in Board members meeting package.

Northwest League Basketball: Boys 5/6 Rt 44 Boys 7/8 : Board review of financial report prepared by Tricia submitted in Board members meeting package.

Baseball: Kurt Williams

Final Tri town organizational meeting scheduled for 4/8

3 Teams LL , 3 Teams Minor, U9 Girls 2 teams , U12 Girls 2 teams , A League most likely 3 teams , T ball (tbd) approx. 70 registered

Field maint. meeting scheduled for 4/13 @ 8:00am

Games targeted to start 4/22 (LL, Minor , Girls Softball)Opening night ceremony slated for 4/26

Mens Basketball: Kurt Root

One team in league out due to lack of payment. Playoffs to be concluded by end of April

New Business:

George Mills : Volleyball: Looking for volleyball program information. Jim DiVita indicated that there may be an active program up at Reg #7 that George may want to look into further if needed.

Lois Clough: Field Policy: Would like Tricia to re submit current policy to appropriate organizations /schools etc...

Old Business:

Brian Shaughnessy: Sr. Olympics: High level facilities update: Regional # 7 Track usage is a go as long as Custodial fee is covered. Northwest Sportsmen Gun range in Colebrook was receptive to participate.

Adjournment

Adjourn @9:26 pm ; Motion by Tim Wheeler , Second Diane Ransom : Vote : Unanimous

Next Meeting May 1 st 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.