

Board of Recreation minutes

June 11th 2014

Call to order: Jim DiVita @ 7:05 pm

Members in attendance- Jim DiVita, Tim Wheeler, Brian Shaughnessy ,Kurt Williams, Ray Rabago, Diane Ransom,George Mills

Absent: Kurt Root, Lou Fracasso

Approval of Last Meeting Minutes:

Approval of May 7th 2014 minutes

Motion to accept by Kurt Williams , Seconded Tim Wheeler: Vote: 4 Accept, 2 abstain

Public comment-

Dale Martin Town Manager...Introduction of new Rec Director Tanya Risucci who will start July 1st.. Tanya gave a brief background of herself and sat in on the remainder of the meeting .

Agenda Review:-

New Business

George Mills...Budget

Kurt Williams...Field Scheduling update

Old Business :

Diane Ransom.. Mens Basketball Fee Collection status

Chairman's report/ Directors report (Interim Period)- Jim DiVita

Life guard/Beach update

- Bouys in at Beaches at Highland Lake. Thanks goes out to Mrs Hinman who allowed use of her boat to conduct work.
- Life guard chairs will be going out in the next 2 weeks.
- Life guards are ready to come aboard. Jim will coordinate a start date hopefully to coincide with school summer dismissal.
- Willow St parking was a topic at recent Selectmen meeting. No parking areas will be enforced by police dept.
- Beach stickers available at Town Clerk office.

Summer Playground Update

- Playground Staff is in place . Nine staff members are being planned on at this time.
- Few more registration nights will occur June 16th,17th,18th at Green Building 7:30-9:00pm
- Flyers /pamphlets for summer program have gone out to the school.
- Camp schedule will be 6/30 – 8/22 and will offer different programs each week for the kids

Field Usage : AAU

- Field usage Policy as it pertains to non rec activities will need to be considered. Rental fee per field or complex. Jim offered a draft proposal for discussion dated 4/27/14.
- For the AAU baseball team \$125 for Spring Tier 1 season has been received. AAU will be discussing with board on 7/2 usage for Tier 2 Summer. Schedule as it stands now for Walker Field does have open dates that could be used for AAU if board desires. Practice before games will not be practical due to field prep in the morning by maint. staff.

Gaylord Tiffany Update:

- Kurt Williams met with Foundation on 5/28 to present Rec Dept request proposal for 2014. List of totaling \$11,992 was presented and discussed . Feedback from the Foundation was to begin to develop a 3-5 year improvement plan for the Rowley St Complex so they can see what is needed out on the horizon. Foundation will notify Rec Dept of their decision on 2014 dollars in June They also indicated that there may be additional dollars available in the fall .

Program Updates:

Youth Baseball: Kurt Williams :

All leagues running. Weather has been favorable so far this season with few rain out/makeups needed. Playoffs will commence for Girls softball, Minor League & Little League w/o 6/16

Mens Softball: Kurt Root

Both mens and Coed leagues are up and running. Kurt Root to provide schedule to Kurt Williams soon as possible. New bases and home plate for Ryan field from Mens softball delivered to Maint. staff for installation.

Pitch/Hit/Run Event: Tim Wheeler

14 participant's competed in second round on 5/18 . No Winsted kids who qualified were in attendance
4 Boy divisions and 2 Girl divisions were represented.

First year event came with a lot of learning experiences which can be applied to next year

Flag Football: Brian Shaughnessy

Registration this year was open for 4 weeks and a total of 60 kids are in the program
More or less this is double both in size and revenue from last year inaugural program
Training and Educational aspects are split into 2 hr and 1 hr segments respectively for the older group
The pre K – 4 group is 100% instructional.

Brian will extend season into July still utilizing Sunday 10-1pm time slot.

Mens Basketball: Jim DiVita

Jim presented list of team non payment from winter league.

Bobcats, Young Guns , Clover and Super T teams still owe fees.

Kurt Williams will contact team managers (Bobcats.. Landon Garella, Young Guns ...Jorge Pimental, Clover..Don McCurdy....Super T ..Jim Bunel) to discuss matter and report back to board at July meeting

New Business:

Budget Question : George Mills...Answered during meeting

Gaylord Tiffany: Kurt Williams....Covered under Chairman report

Field Scheduling: .Kurt Williams... Covered under Chairman report

Old Business:

Mens Basketball : Diane Ransom

Review of team non payment from winter league.

Bobcats, Young Guns , Clover and Super T teams still owe fees.

Kurt Williams volunteered to contact team managers (Bobcats.. Landon Garella, Young Guns ...Jorge Pimental, Clover..Don McCurdy....Super T ..Jim Bunel) to discuss matter and report back to board at July meeting

Misc.

Advertisement marque on Main St could help promote program registrations.

July meeting should consider Officer Nominations with election at August meeting

Adjournment

Adjourn @ 8:30 pm ; Motion by Diane Ransom , Second Ray Rabago : Vote : Unanimous

Next Meeting July 2nd 2014 @ 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.