

Board of Recreation minutes
July 2ND 2014

Call to order: Jim DiVita @ 7:00 pm

Members in attendance- Jim DiVita, Tim Wheeler, Brian Shaughnessy ,Kurt Williams, Ray Rabago (leave 8:35pm) , Diane Ransom, Lou Fracasso, Kurt Root (8:45pm arrival)

Rec Director Tanya Risucci

Absent: George Mills

Approval of Last Meeting Minutes:

Approval of June 11th 2014 minutes

Motion to accept by Kurt Williams , Seconded Tim Wheeler: Vote: Unanimous

Public comment-

Greg Gardner ... AAU 13/14 baseball team representative looking for use of Walker for second tier of season beginning in July. . Overview of spring season presented.

17 player roster with 12 full time and 5 alternates. Squad breakdown Colebrook (1), New Hartford (1), Winsted (2),Barkhamsted (8), Torrington (5).

Spring season 13 game schedule. 4 home games played at Walker and 5 home games played at Regional #7. Summer schedule presented to board for review /consideration. Motion by Ray Rabago to accept schedule for use of Walker Field through July seconded by Tim Wheeler . Vote : Unanimous

Jeff Hale : Follow up discussion on previously approved action regarding skinning of Rowley Field for Girls softball. Jeff proposed date of 8/1-8/4 to perform work on Rowley Front field with his equipment and approx. 20 volunteers lined up to support. Jeff projected that approx. 3-4 yards of clay material per year would be necessary to properly maintain field once completed. This estimate is based on the work he did at the Riverton field a few years ago. Material bid was completed by Mark Douglass earlier in May time period for this project. Board was ok with moving forward with dates mentioned as long as it aligned properly with Jim Welcome , Fireman Carnival and Tanya.

Motion by Diane Ransom to proceed forward with material purchase to coincide with projected start date. Seconded by Tim Wheeler. Vote : Unanimous

Agenda Review:-

New Business

Tim Wheeler ... New Format baseball/softball.

Kurt Williams...Baseball camp

Old Business :

Brian Shaughnessy . ..Online Forms

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

Welcome to new director Tanya Risucci who began duties effective 7/1/14

Highland lake Beach update

- Beaches are open and parking stickers are on Sale @ Town Hall
- Jim will be asking police dept to enforce use of beach stickers
- Life guards and chairs are in place .

Gaylord Tiffany Funds:

-Jim re iterated that these funds that come through Rec Department need to be accountable and spent prior to year end in order to get proper re imbusement from Gaylord Tiffany Trust

Summer Playground Update

- First two days of camp which started 6/30 were ok. 25 kids per day
- Fee schedule is \$25/day or \$80/week.
- Anticipate increase in enrolment as summer progresses
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Gaylord Tiffany Fund approval Update:

- Jim indicated that \$13,600 has been allocated by GTF for this year spend. All items that were submitted in May were approved . Big hitters were \$6,000 for Girls softball field skinning / improvements and \$1800 for new mulch for playground.

Propose Field / Facility usage Fee schedule: Jim will work with Tanya to on fee structure proposal.

Program Updates:

Youth Baseball: Kurt Williams :

Youth Tri-town softball and baseball playoffs are completed. Winsted LL Braves completed undefeated season and won playoff championship .

Travel LL Allstar team is formed and looking to enter Lindquist tournament in Farmington in July. WYBL issue with Allstar team fund raising /purchases discussed with Rec board and possible WYBL action(s) for coaches involved .

Mens Softball: Kurt Root

Season is going good to date no major issues reported.

Youth Soccer:

Nicole Root will be looking for use of Green Building in July for registration nights. Jim will put her in contact with Tanya. Soccer Registration signs at East End Park were requested to be

removed by Town Manager who indicated that signage by any group will no longer be allowed at Park .

Flag Football: Brian Shaughnessy

\$ 1330 in revenue generated year to date from the program. Brian needs a financial statement form to fill out to present at August meeting.

Brian has few more weeks on Sunday 10am-12pm time slot . Still has approx. 60 kids in program. Participation medals will be handed out at conclusion of program.

Mens Basketball: Non Payment Follow up :

Kurt Williams spoke individually to the following team managers in person on 6/11/14.. (Bobcats.. Landon Garella, Young Guns ...Jorge Pimental,Super T ..Jim Bunel) regarding non payment and need to resolve with individuals who were on their respective team. . No follow up response or payments have been received from any members of the above teams as of the July meeting. Clover team indicated that all members paid during season. Request that Darrin Ransom provide pay provide log of payments to verify Clover team.

Board will need to discuss next steps at August meeting . Team rosters for above teams should also be made available and if possible identification of individuals who paid and did not pay.

New Business:

Board Officer Nominations : Nomination proceedings' conducted by Kurt Williams

Secretary position:

Kurt Williams : Nominated by Lou Fracasso seconded by Diane Ransom

Brian Shaughnessy: Nominated by Ray Rabago seconded by Jim DiVita

Motion to close nomination for Secretary position: Motion by Jim Divita seconded by Tim Wheeler: Vote : Unanimous

Vice Chairman Position

Diane Ransom: Nominated by Brian Shaughnessy seconded by Ray Rabago

Motion to close nomination for Vice Chairman position: Motion by Tim Wheeler seconded by Ray Rabago: Vote : Unanimous

Chairman Position:

Jim DiVita : Nominated by Ray Rabago seconded by Diane Ransom

Kurt Root: Nominated by Lou Fracasso seconded by Jim DiVita

Kurt Williams : Nominated by Brian Shaughnessy seconded by Diane Ransom

Motion to close nomination for Chairman position: Motion by Ray Rabago seconded by Tim Wheeler : Vote : Unanimous

Election of officers to be conducted at August meeting

Softball/Baseball Proposal: Tim Wheeler

Handouts /literature given on LL International presented for consideration. Tim will have a more formal descriptive of proposed for August meeting.

Summer Baseball Camp: Kurt Williams : Initial inquiry from DJ Reese indicated that he may be interested in having a camp if one is not already being planned.

Old Business

Forms Flow : Brian Shaughnessy: Would like to have program forms/contacts etc on Rec web site or related links . Easy and effective way for community to gain access of updated activities/programs/events and necessary documents w/o taking trip to Town Hall or contacting Rec Director.

Misc.

Program Money turned in at meeting:

Mens Softball: \$ 3,650 in checks given to Tanya , \$ 675 in checks previously turned in.

Karate program: Two checks totaling \$75 and \$ 140 in cash given to Tanya.

Adjourn @ 8:45 pm ; Motion by Lou Fracasso , Second Tim Wheeler : Vote : Unanimous

Next Meeting August 6th 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.