

Board of Recreation minutes  
September 3<sup>rd</sup> 2014

**Call to order:** Jim DiVita @ 7:05 pm

Members in attendance- Jim DiVita, Tim Wheeler, Kurt Williams, Diane Ransom, Lou Fracasso, George Mills

Rec Director Tanya Risucci

**Absent:** Ray Rabago, Brian Shaughnessy, Kurt Root

**Approval of Last Meeting Minutes:**

Approval of August 6<sup>th</sup> 2014 minutes

Motion to accept 8/6/14 meeting minutes by Lou Fracasso, Seconded: George Mills :Vote: Unanimous

**Public comment-**

Kate Donovan: Presented verbally to board a proposal for girls fast pitch softball pitching program to run November thru March. Kate has given lessons to a number of girls during the year and is looking for location to continue during winter months. Originally looking at Green Building as a possible site for use. Also has reached out to Gilbert for possible use of their gym area. Kate indicated that she would be looking for perhaps 1-2 nights a week. This fits well into development of Winsted Girls softball program into High School level of competition.

Board recommends that Kate look into developing the program through the Rec department and work with Tayna to complete necessary program usage forms and present back at October meeting.

**Agenda Review:-**

American Mural Project.. George Mills ... New Business

Community Theatre... George Mills... Old Business

Ski Program ....Tayna Risucci... Director Report

Halloween.... Tayna Risucci... Director Report

**Chairman's report**

Life Guard chairs and equipment box removed from beaches

CL&P leased Willow St parking Lot fence removal and telephone pole barrier work performed by Public Works. No communication to Rec Board prior to work commencing. Chairman has received 2 safety complaints regarding lack of fence as children exit cars in lot and use of creosote poles.

Chairmen stressed the need to review items with all board members prior to public communication

**Directors report - Tanya Risucci**

AAU 13 Baseball update

- Season schedule submitted for Sundays
- Fee paid, Insurance cert provided, Rosters provided.
- Will have double header on 9/7 since 8/31 was a rain out day.
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Fall Festival Flyer/Event

- Meetings with Helen of Friend of Main St started 1day week. Event Oct 4th
- Looking to have program groups participate at Rec Booth day of event. Booth location unknown at this time.
- Discussion on activities from previous festivals.

- If possible perhaps we can arrange to have our portable basketball hoops set up for event.
- Finalize activities etc ...at Oct 1 meeting.
- Any ideas pass along to Tayna

Halloween – Tayna interested in past year(s) activities. Costume judging at Town Hall in conjunction with Trick or Treat on Main St appears to work well. Will target for October 25<sup>th</sup> 1-4 pm. Judging 1-2PM Town Hall.

Need to look at expanding categories based on last years event

Tayna would like to transmit flyers to schools by Oct 4th

#### Summer Program Wrap Up:

- Tayna will have wrap up report ready for October meeting
- VFW sponsored BBQ was a big hit to close out camp. Thank card has been sent out to VFW and others.

#### Rec Financial Report/.Budget

- Tayna schedule to meet with Financial Director this week to review budget. Sample reports typically included in board member document packages reviewed with Tayna
- Maintenance Staff currently down to only Jim Welcome and a gentlemen performing community service hours . 2 part time employees have left their positions with the department. Tayna looking at options to cover loss through remainder of season.

#### Program Updates:

##### Youth Baseball: Kurt Williams :

- Connie Mack completed season. Won 3<sup>rd</sup> straight championship
- Will request WYBL to attend October meeting (preferable) to submit financial statement and season end report out.

##### Mens Softball: Kurt Root

- Playoffs have started and should conclude by 8/12
- Checks for umpires have been cut and are out for delivery
- Registrations are being taken for Fall League at this time.

##### Youth Soccer:

- Season is underway
- Awaiting final schedule from league
- Looking to address lights issue/repair at Dodge Field

#### New Business:

George Mills –American Mural Project.. Exploring possible future opportunities / collaborative activities with this group.

#### Old Business:

George Mills –Community Theater/Outdoor Entertainment ... Would like to focus next year early in season out door movies and more outdoor entertainment activities if possible.

Adjourn @ 8:25 pm ; Motion by Diane Ransom , Second Tim Wheeler : Vote : Unanimous

Next Meeting October 1<sup>st</sup> 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.