NB Recreation Commission Meeting Thursday, April 20, 2022

6:00 p.m. at the Recreation Department Office (OR via Zoom if needed)

### **Staff in attendance:**

Mike Sindoni and Sheri Moloney

## **Commissioners in attendance:**

Chris Hall, Helen Fanning, Dan O'Brien, Katie Hawkes and Lynn Wawrzyniak

## **Commissioners absent:**

none

#### **Visitors:**

Jen Brown, Scott Gross, Jackson Barnes

- A. Call to Order, approve meeting minutes for March 24, 2022 edited minutes approved unanimously
- B. Appointments
  - Scott Gross SAU Business Administrator
    - Project Updates within SAU19
    - 2 Federal Grants address COVID response and stimulus funding for schools. Requirement of the grants is to communicate to local organizations how the funds will be used. Examples of how being used below:
      - \$142,000 and \$319,000
      - 20% must be spent directly on students ~\$64,000
        - o playground expansion at NBCS
        - o Online learning platform
        - Tutoring
        - o Remote Teacher for students on quarantine/Tutoring
        - Floating nurse
        - Rapid Testing program
        - o New Math Program for the district
        - o 'Game field' renovation and GHS
          - Turf, lights, grandstands
          - Hoping for New Boston to kick in \$100,000 towards the project (20%). Requesting at the School Board meeting this evening.
        - Lap top carts and laptops
        - Electronic Message board at GHS
    - 20% MVMS, 30% GHS students are from New Boston will benefit from the funds being spent
    - Looking for support and/or endorsement from the New Boston Recreation Department.
  - Jackson Barnes Troop 123 Boy Scout, Eagle Project Presentation

- Goal of Eagle Project is to share knowledge of allergy awareness to both Weare and New Boston Recreation Departments.
  - Trainings: Many coaches are unprepared and uncomfortable with food allergy awareness and how to treat anaphylactic reactions.
    Will be creating a video that can be used to train coaches.
    Commissioners would like there to be a disclaimer in the video that these are just suggestions and recommendations and not a trained medical professional.
  - Hand Washing Stations at outdoor field use stations. Wash off oils and proteins from nuts, etc.... before touching common touch items which could trigger a reaction in allergic people.
    - Concern about coaches having to fill up the buckets with water, especially at Old Coach where there is no running water. Is the maintenance sustainable? How to solve this issue.
  - Timeline is to have the project finished by early June.
  - Communication to let visiting teams know that these are allergy aware fields?
    - Guidelines to share with visiting coaches to share with their teams?
  - Commissioners proposed laminated sheets inside first-aid kits to talk about allergies, allergy awareness, and use of epi-pen along with appropriate wipes (hypo-allergenic).
  - Jackson will send the board an email with the requested revisions. The board will review and vote via email.
  - Jack is requesting a signature and acceptance of the project as a beneficiary

#### C. Old Business

- Department logo change
  - o Katie Hawkes' submission would be great for a Camp Coolio T-Shirt
  - Meeting of subcommittee (after 5/8) to further discuss/brainstorm ideas that will be good for embroidery and other applications. Please keep in mind the mission statement.
    - Katie, Jen, Helen
  - o Discuss at the June meeting
- White Building Windows
  - o 2 businesses have expressed interest in the project, with one more who may be potentially. Will be requesting all 3 submit a bid.
  - Would like to do this project in August, but not a 'must-do' project. Could be tabled until 2023.
- Volunteer Information Discussion tabled
  - List of responsibilities and expectations for all volunteers and additional responsibilities and expectations for volunteers that work directly with children.
  - Liability guidelines for different types of volunteers
- D. Financial QuickBooks report, as of 3/31/22 Shared by Sheri

- Profit and Loss Report
  - \$64,500 revenue since January mostly due to people paying ahead for Camp Coolio
  - Up over last year by \$22,000 due to increase in programming and rental income from white buildings
- After School Program Fees
  - o Currently \$240/month if pay by automatic credit card monthly (\$260/month via cash/check) \$13.34/day for ∼ 3hours or less than \$5/hour
  - o Child #3 gets ½ price discount
  - o Significantly below programs in surrounding areas
  - \$250/month for auto payments, \$280/month via cash/check Commissioners voted unanimously
- Accounts Receivable Report \$26,345 outstanding. (Related to: Camp Coolio, baseball sponsorships, and brick fundraiser)
- Facility Maintenance Schedule tabled
- Fire Department Generator Dan Macdonald has requested a response
  - Commissioners voted 4 to 1 not to proceed with the generator project for the White Buildings
- Town Forest Projects "Bob Todd" and "Lydia Dodge" trails
  - o request for assistance with funding for making bridges over wetlands
  - o Forestry provided \$500 towards boards
  - o Bike Camp uses the trails
  - o \$440 of revenue last summer (20 kids @ \$40each)
  - Commissioners voted to fund up to \$500 for reimbursement of trail maintenance supplies for trails on town conservation land. Unanimously voted

# E. Programming/Events

- Registration Updates:
  - o Baseball currently have 4 teams (2 Rookie, 2 Minors), last year 3 teams
  - o Softball currently have 5 teams (6U, 2-8U, 10U, 12U), last year 4 teams
  - o T-Ball currently have 31 enrolled, last year 27
  - o Camp Coolio
    - Filled the program at 35 kids per week in one day. All weeks have 5-15 kids on waiting list.
    - Weeks 1, 3, and 4 will stay at 35 kids per week due to staffing. All other weeks to go to 40 kids
    - Field trips have been scheduled and busses reserved
- Easter Event Review (Saturday, April 9)
  - o Face Painting by Katie was a HUGE hit! Great addition to the event. Need a second face painter and a menu of choices.
  - o Great turn-out!
  - Need a microphone for next year
- Gymnastics
  - o Sheri will have an ad for June Beacon
  - o Sheri will post on Facebook
  - o Sheri will check with Laura Bernard about a town posting account
- Preschool Programming –Tabled

- Field Hockey Clinic FREE
  - o May 18, June 1 + 15 @ 2:30
  - o Girls in grades 4-6
  - o Sarah Smith
  - o 3 Wednesdays here alternating with 3 Wednesdays in Goffstown
  - Will supply equipment
  - o Town Hall Fields
- Duck Race June 5<sup>th</sup>
  - Would like to borrow a bull-horn
  - Requesting access to Recreation Department building during the event granted by Mike
- Town-Wide Yard Sale June 4th
  - o To benefit skating rink
- Senior Programing (First time in 2 years!)
  - o Bus Trips:
    - May 17 @ Wright Museum in Wolfeboro
    - June @ Silver Fountain Tea Room in Dover
  - o Looking to reinstate monthly foot care clinics more info to come
- F. Facility/Grounds
  - Still awaiting a quote on paving parking lot for White Buildings
  - Softball field leveled and ready
  - Infield work at Old Coach Fields
    - o Looks great and coaches are happy!
- F. Other Business
  - Mike out April 28 and 29
- G. Possible Request for Non-Public per RSA 91-A: 3, II, (a) (b) (c)

Next Meeting will be May 18 @ 6:00 pm in person at the Recreation Department Office. (Can Zoom in if needed, just let Sheri know ahead of time for a link.) (Helen to bring treats)

Meeting adjourned at 8:10p.m. Respectfully submitted, Lynn Wawrzyniak