

NB Recreation Commission Meeting

Wednesday, January 17, 2018

7:00PM

Staff in attendance:

Mike Sindoni, Sheri Moloney

Commissioners in attendance:

Ken Hamel, Lynn Wawrzyniak, Kim Borges, Helen Fanning, Jenn Martin

Guests:

Ryan Tewksbury

1. Appointments

- 7:00 Ryan Tewksbury - Baseball Director update –
 - KMS League is thinking of setting up a coaching clinic especially for newer coaches, possibly in February.
 - New guidelines for bats, **Mike** looking into getting current bats being 'stickered' for use.
 - Each team is provided with balls (practice/game), bats, catchers' mask and pads. Individuals need to provide own catchers' mitt.
 - **Sheri** to put out request on Facebook for catcher's mitt donations for Rec Dept. to have on hand for use if needed.
 - Ryan is also looking for gym time prior to season starting. Mike has reserved time in late March/April for evaluations and possible practices.
 - **Mike** will keep Ryan and Lynn LeClair informed of numbers.
 - Desire to increase numbers in baseball program.

2. Old Business

- S'mores with Santa feedback
 - VERY positive feedback! Gazebo lights are excellent! More fire pits needed. More sticks? 25 cent donation for personal sticks, others can be reused for no fee. Ran out of cider, hot chocolate, graham crackers, and marshmallows. Use church kitchen next year to keep food prep separate from visits with Santa.
- Mini-bus grant funding update
 - Mike submitted a Cogswell Benevolent Trust grant (asked for \$20,000) and will find out in 2-3 weeks to see if any monies will be given. Mike asked the 4th of July committee to write a letter of support with non-profit 501C3 status noted.
- Softball dugout update
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- New town mower purchased and stored
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3. Financial

- QuickBooks report
- Public Budget Hearing update from January 16 - Mike attended
 - Wording of warrant article was decided for the \$16, 500 to come out of the town's fund balance (\$40,000 out of revolving) with no impact to tax rate for voters. Selectman Constance stated that if grant monies are awarded they would be used to

replenish the town's portion of the purchase. Warrant will be presented at Town Deliberative Session on February 5th.

- Mower Purchase - Cost: half from town grounds-keeping account and other half from town surplus funds.
- QuickBooks Report – Sheri balanced all accounts. A dormant playground account with \$1,525.27 was found and has been consolidated with grandstand account.
- Sheri reported that 2017 Books have been closed. \$59.00 difference noted between town and Rec. Rec Department came in about \$14,000 under budget for 2017 year.
- Profit/Loss Report – Biggest difference in ground maintenance. Kim asked **Sheri** for a report from 2016 showing ground maintenance, service/repairs maintenance, and building accounts.
- Accounts Receivable Report – Balances have gone down. Certified letters were sent to four (camp) families and they are making payments. All families are aware of monies owed and are attending to payments. The department is willing to work with families who are upfront with communicating financial issues. The department will continue to be proactive on collecting overdue fees.
- Basketball report – showing differences between 2016-2017. Revenue is down, possibly due to high school kids playing in Goffstown. Referee fees have stayed the same because NB teams have more chances for home games – referees are needed for those. **Mike** will ask Goffstown how many NB players are playing in Goffstown. (2 families had given negative feedback regarding the switch)
- Camp Coolio Projection Rates –
 - Katie's leadership along with start time of 7:30AM have increased the positive swing of the program.
 - 504 individual days were signed up for.
 - 219 full weeks were registered for.
 - Early Bird Registration before May 15th, at which time rates will increase
 - ISSUE: registration too complex
 - IDEAS:
 1. Two daily rates – regular day or field trip day. Need to make sure cost of field trip is being covered by the average cost being charged to families.
 2. Will not be 'adding on' field trips.
 3. Eliminate registration fee but just add on registration fee to costs.
 4. Charge a flat weekly fee.
 5. First two weeks have a 'stay here' Tuesday event instead of a field trip: bike trickster demo? water day?
 6. Refunds for no-shows are given only in emergency situations.

4. Programming

- Updates- basketball, yoga, after school, safe sitter
 - Softball Dugouts – fencing issue with where water lines run. Need a plan B for fencing footings.
 - Basketball – schedule is better this year, Wednesday and Thursday practices have been impacted by snow days and concerts. Referees are working well.
 - Yoga resuming on 2/5 – full class
 - After School – some movement off of wait list
 - Safe Sitter – 5 enrolled
- Upcoming registration- camp, baseball, softball
 - Camp Coolio registration begins Feb 15th
 - Baseball, Softball, and T-Ball Registration dates are 2/7-3/7.

5. Facility/Grounds

- Pablo interested in mowing again this year. Can only mow on Saturdays. Does a good job, but limited availability. Ask if he can mow on Sundays during early season? Using van to tow mower but new vehicle will not have a hitch for a trailer. Mower is currently stored in trailer by white buildings. **Mike** to follow up with Pablo.

6. Events

- Lip Sync- Jan. 27 at 6:30pm; 24 entries; Hulick judging
 - 26 applied, one dropped out.
 - 6:25 pre-show announcements
 - New process went well. Need to pay with entry, money will be returned if act is not part of show.
- Kids Dance- Feb. 16 at 7pm
 - **Sheri** to take over supervision during the dances
 - Some push-shove at last dance, kids and parents were spoken to during and after the event.
- Dueling Pianos- March 10 at 7:30pm at NBCS
 - 18+ event
- Outdoor movie this summer?
 - Yes!
 - Was \$500, made about \$100 in concessions and glow sticks
 - Need movie ideas - Retro film ideas?
- Woody Woodland event on Sunday Feb 18- at NBCS
 - Set up table with display: has been our lip sync MC (photo collage) with 'Woodyisms.'
 - **Sheri** to look through pictures and quotes **Lynn** to man table at event.

7. Other Business

- 2017 Volunteer of the Year candidates
 - Tom Kozak – baseball and basketball coach
 - Pat Kennedy – baseball, basketball, and flag football coach
 - Past Awards given to: Nikki Waterson, Joe Borges, Kevin Hobi, Wendy Lambert
- Sheri out 1/26
- Mike out 1/30 and 31
- Forest Committee and an NBCS group is looking to do a tree planting on the berm across from Old Coach field. Would not affect parking or field use. Committee is in favor of this.

8. Next Meeting will be February 7 at 7:00PM

Respectfully submitted,
Lynn Wawrzyniak