

NORTH HAMPTON RECREATION DRAFT MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 2023

In attendance: Joe Manzi, Chris Lull, Willow Foley, Pete Brogowski, Jane Morse, Marty Tavitian

Willow called the meeting to order at 6:05 at the Town Hall.

Willow made a motion to accept the minutes of the November meeting, seconded by Jane and agreed upon by all present.

There were no citizen's comments.

Tasha Baczewski joined the meeting to introduce herself as a prospective member of the commission. Expectations and commitments were discussed as well as events and meetings requirements. She is goal oriented and organized and is interested in joining the Commission. We thanked her for her interest.

Ski program:

Registration is now closed with approximately 40-44 kids enrolled . There is no bus this year so parents are responsible for transportation. Families are reminded to make sure their kids have had a photo taken for the ski passes. There are 4 nights with the first two weeks in February and March on Friday nights. The program includes a season pass, rentals and 4 group lessons. Chaperones will be present.

Santa's Breakfast:

There were 140 kids and parents attending this much enjoyed event. Santa and Mrs Claus were ready for visits and pictures with a new realistic back drop. Cookie decorating and letter writing to Santa were fun activities. All kids were free this year so not to exclude any children. Expenditures were approximately 630.00 and funds collected were similar. The feedback from kids and parents was overwhelmingly positive. Joe will send a thank you note to all who helped make this fun event possible. Chris advanced some ideas for next year's Breakfast with Santa including a Polaroid camera for Santa pictures and expanding cookie decorating plus including a toy drive for needy children. Marty reinforced that the NHFD might be willing to collaborate.

Ice Rink update:

A new liner for the rink will be necessary and hopefully, weather permitting, a mid January installation is planned.

Golf Tournament:

The event was postponed due to weather but the October date was actually better, so the event for 2024 will be late Septemeber with a rain date in early October. It will be planned

for a Monday instead of Wednesday and by 1/31/24 the date should be secured. There is no maximum number of golfers allowed There were 66 golfers last October.

Winter Fest:

The date is 2/24/24 with most of the same events planned. Chris will be using social media to highlight the event and garner interest. The chili cookoff was one of the most well attended events and we would like to expand on that. Chris suggested including restaurants in town be to participate as well as the NHPD and NHFD in the fun competition. A sign in sheet will used to determine how many people attended. Twice as chili will be needed as we ran out too soon. Events at the school were well attended and the basketball tourney will be expanded. The Dearborn Park sledding and bonfire was successful thanks to the recent heavy snowfall. A food truck present at Dearborn was suggested or including food at the gym events instead. The Library will sponsor a magic show at 11:00.

Yard Sale: This is planned for 1/27/24 at the Rec will table rentals for 20.00. There will be guidelines for what can be brought into sale.

Other items; A reminder about the Canyon Country trip planned by Collete Travel. The PASA luncheon will be held 1/17. Information for these events in on the town website.