

NORTH HAMPTON DRAFT MEETING MINUTES JUNE 2021

In attendance: Joe Manzi, Danielle Strater, Dale Rocheford, Chris Poppalardo, Jane Morse

Danielle called the meeting to order at 6:09. There was a review of updates made to the April meeting minutes. A motion was made by Dale to accept the meeting minutes of May 2021, it was seconded by Jane and agreed upon by all.

There were no citizen's comments.

NHYA: The spring soccer program was successful and soccer will continue into the summer. Plans are to run one time a week throughout the summer. Fall soccer travel teams sign ups are opening. Flag football is now over and was a very successful program.

The concession stand at Knowles Field has been cleaned out There currently are no plans to open the stand, but all agreed it would be an added benefit for the sports programs at the field. The men's soccer league has made a donation to NHYA.

NHYA kid's baseball is over the end of June and adult softball will be begin in July.

Dearborn Park: The irrigation of Dearborn will begin in August by Rainscape Services. St Thomas has been renting the tennis courts for practice and games and their times are posted so players can plan accordingly. There are no sign ups for the courts and are on a first come first basis. It is expected that singles players would have the courts for one hour and a doubles would be 1.5 hours. Mark Moulton, tennis pro, will be providing tennis lessons this summer at Dearborn.

Danielle, Marty and Willow met with Joe as part of a subcommittee to plan fundraising for scholarships to aid students who may need help for sports and recreation programs. Some of the ideas included: corn hole tournaments, golf tournaments, town wide yard sales, relay games and races, and a 5K race. These need to be self funding events. There will be a new budget in July and the senior's program will lose their budget. These potential events will need to be a revenue creating opportunity to help fund upcoming events. It is hoped there would be enough revenue generated monthly or quarterly to help programs and scholarships. There has been a 50% increase in requests for scholarship funding. The Are U In program was discussed as a way to provide help more readily to those in need with an ID card provided. It is a program that pre-qualifies people and creatse fewer steps to receiving aid.

It would be preferred to set up an annual calendar of events planned in advance as best as possible. Santa's breakfast and winter fest are staples of the programs with the Memorial Day barbecue returning next year.

National Night Out was discussed and all agreed it would be a wonderful town wide event for all citizens. It is August 10 and could be held at the school. Joe will reach out to Chief Mone to discuss further.

Summer Camps: Camp trainees are in place and ready for the 9 week program. There are approximately 100 kids enrolled with an average of 50-60 kids weekly. The cost is 150.00 weekly.

The PASA luncheons have returned with over 30 attendees enjoying lunch at the Rec. The Rec has easier access than the Town Hall and seemed to be preferred. Joe has 2 more summer luncheons planned.

Danielle made a motion to adjourn at 7:21, Dale seconded and all agreed.