

NORTH HAMPTON RECREATION DRAFT MINUTES OCTOBER 2020

In attendance: Joe Manzi, Marty Tavitian, Willow Foley, Wally Kilgore, Dale Rocheford, Jane Morse

Marty called the meeting to order at 6:07

Citizen's comments: none

Jane motioned to accept the September meeting minutes, it was seconded by Marty and agreed by all present.

NHYA: The Columbus Day tourney was a success. The basketball season will be coordinated with the Hampton School.

Facilities update from Willow: Joe Manzi had an opportunity to speak with the manager of the Lafayette Crossing Center regarding leasing the space for after school activities. The space has approximately 4000 sq ft and would represent an excellent community option for the students after school to assemble and play games. The space would allow for social distancing. It is a very clean and has a carpeted space. The Select Board and the management company are working on a proposal and it is hoped that 12/15 could be the opening date. If not, it will be after the holiday break in January. The buses can transport 24 kids at a time from the school.

Veteran's Day: The Commander from the American Legion will be holding a small abbreviated ceremony to recognize North Hampton Veterans on November 11th at 10:00 in front of the Stone Building. He does not want this promoted so the group will be intentionally small due to COVID. The school will acknowledge the veterans independently. It was discussed to use the Bandstand sign to thank those veterans for their service. Wally will take care of creating the message.

Santa Update: Due to COVID there will not be the traditional Santa Breakfast we have had in past years. Different ideas were discussed such as Santa driving through town on a slow moving fire truck with candy treats or a breakfast to go at the Town Hall with Santa on the stairs waving to the families. Their previously placed order would be taken to their car. Joe will be in discussions with Billy from IHOP to see the feasibility of doing the breakfast in this manner. A drop mailbox where kids could leave their letters for Santa was also discussed. Further discussion and a decision will be made at the November Recreation meeting.

Ice Rink: Knowles Field remains a possibility but there is a concern with potential legal liability because it is not town owned property. Discussion about the liner for the rink ensued as that needs to be replaced every year. A 60x80 heavy liner is needed and Exeter Lumber may stock that size. Dearborn still may be a possibility.

Scarecrows: Another good year for participation in the scare crow contest and it's time to vote!

Trick or Treat: The need for social distancing has created unique rules for kids. The information regarding placing candy on a table, providing hand sanitizer and no door bell ringing has been on the town website and well publicized.

Seniors: Joe will delivering the Thanksgiving Turkey Day dinners individually instead of gathering at the Town Hall. The cost of the full dinner is only 10.00 and Joe's will be providing the food. Many

thanks to Joe Manzi for making sure our seniors do not miss out on this special and much looked forward to event.

Ski Trips: This upcoming ski season will be challenging with no bus transportation available and rigid rules applying to the skiers. The kids will fully dress in cars and there will be no lodge available. Further information will be available next month.

Rails to Trails: Joe will be meeting with that committee next week.

Marty made a motion to adjourn at 7:06, seconded by Dale and agreed by all present.