

NORTH HAMPTON RECREATION COMMISSION DRAFT MEETING MINUTES MARCH 2024

In attendance: Pete Brogowski, Kathy Lociatto, Carrie Becker, Jane Morse, Chris Lull, Joe Manzi

Pete called the meeting to order at 6:06.

There were no citizens's comments.

Kathy made a motion to accept the February meeting minutes, Pete seconded the motion and it was agreed upon by all present.

Winterfest Recap:

Winterfest was a success with participation and attendance more than expected for each event. The 3 v 3 tournament was fun with high school students and adults as well as the NHES students. Tee shirts were well received and there were many positive comments from parents and kids. The magic show at the Library was wonderful with kids and parents enjoying the fun time. The chili fest started off a bit slower because the school events ran a little late. The NHPD and NHFD both participated as well as the Rec Commission. Centennial Hall was decorated with banners, table cloths and received great feedback for both the chili and entertainment. The Rec was at capacity with so many kids and parents playing games, face painting and doing craft projects. Many thanks to Mike Tully for helping with a massive cleanup at the Rec and Centennial Hall as well.

The bonfire was well attended as well in spite of the lack of snow. The food truck sold all their prepared meals and was very pleased. John Hubbard and the NHFD had prepared and lighted the bonfire. We had Solo stoves as well and we will have more next year as they were a big hit and created a winter ambience. A heat lamp above the covered area would be helpful. Carrie suggested if possible a pop up cover might work.

The Recreation Commission still has 2 openings and we are hoping to have those positions filled by April. The election of officers will happen in April.

Ski program: Even with a lack of snow the program was a success. Unfortunately the last ski was canceled due to poor weather conditions. Parents and students alike have provided positive comments. Next year the ski program will be on Thursday with a start time at 6:30.

Golf tourney: The tourney will be held on 9/23 with a rain date to be held around the second week in October.

Egg Scramble: It appears it will be rained out, so it will be held the following Saturday. The bunny is ready and Lindt has generously donated all the Easter candy again. A new

business in town, Dogtopia has generously sponsored this event and will be on hand to meet people.

Memorial Day BBQ: Jane spoke with Burke at the Hampton VFW about the parade logistics. He was amenable to changing the parade route again and said many parents said they preferred the school location. Carrie thought it was safer as well for drop off/pick up for kids participating in the parade. Having the playground for the kids is a bonus. Jane will begin to solicit donations. Kathy will secure the food while Joe will provide the remaining items needed.

A blood drive will be held at the Red on 3/30 with a start time at 8:00.

The senior PASA luncheon was held for the first time in the new Rec location and enjoyed by all. Entertainment by ELO will happen at the May luncheon.

Adult softball registration is now open.

Pickleball lessons will be available at Dearborn Park.

Pete made a motion to adjourn at 6:43, seconded by Jane and agreed upon all.