## NORTH HAMPTON RECREATION COMMISSION DRAFT MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 2023

In attendance: Willow Foley, Pete Brogowski, Kathy Lochiatto, Jane Morse, Chris Lull, Joe Manzi

Willow called the meeting to order at 6:04.

There were no citizen's comments.

Willow made a motion to accept the July meeting minutes, it was seconded by Kathy and agreed upon by all.

Joe introduced Chris Lull to the Commission as the new program coordinator. We were all excited to welcome him.

Old Home Day review:

The kick off evening at Centennial Hall was not as well attended as the previous year with fewer people signed up and far fewer walk-ins. Only 3 bids were placed in the sports memorabilia auction. The Old Salt provided excellent appetizer offerings as well as bar service. Entertainment was provided. It was disappointing to have fewer attendees.

The 5K race had 18 runners and was well enjoyed by those who participated and they provided positive feedback. The fun run for the kids and games afterwards were well attended and the kids enjoyed themselves. Many thanks to Pete Brogowski for the organizing of these events.

The North Hampton Library provided face painting and was so well received.

Bingo and root beer floats at the Rec had far fewer participants this year with only 11 kids.

The BBQ, ice cream sundaes, foam fun and bounce house were well enjoyed. There were not as many people attending as the previous year and there was some food leftover. The fireworks were even better this year than last. In reviewing OHD there were several ideas discussed about changes for next year Chris addressed the increased use of social media, i.e. Facebook and Instagram as well as the use of signage throughout town. Better promotion of the event will be an important change for the next year. Perhaps a change of venue for the kick off night including changes to the type of auction provided.

## **Golf tourney:**

The Rec desk online is available for multiple option sign ups for the tourney on 9/13. Golfers can register as a single player or preferably as a foursome. There will be a 9:00 shot gun start with prizes, raffles and contests and the 125.00 cost includes a dinner buffet. There are sponsors needed for the event. The Rec Commission members will recruit additional donors as well as golfers. This is the first annual tourney and it is hoped to be an excellent fund raiser for Parks and Recreation.

Summer camp recap: Fun for 9 weeks and well attended.

Ski program: This coming winter it will be held at Gunstock on Friday night. Further discussion will follow.

Willow made a motion to adjourn at 7:21, seconded by Jane and agreed upon by all present.