

## **NORTH HAMPTON RECREATION COMMISSION DRAFT MINUTES NOVEMBER 2020**

**In attendance: Marty Tavitian, Danielle Strater, Dale Rocheford, Jane Morse, Joe Manzi**

**The meeting was called to order by Marty Tavitian at 6:07**

**A motion was made by Jane Morse to accept the October minutes and was seconded by Dale Rocheford and agreed upon by all present.**

**There were no citizen's comments.**

**NHYA: Danielle reported fall soccer has finished, there were 130 kids who participated with 2 travel teams. It was a success. There will be a pause on basketball for K to grade 6 due to COVID and will be re-evaluated in Jan 2021. They are hoping to partner with HYA for grades 5-8 if gym restrictions can be resolved. It is hoped a safe and effective program can be run.**

**Facilities update: There will be a dedicated space available for students at Lafayette Crossing. The Select Board has approved this and will be signing the lease. It is expected to be available 12/1/2020. The visit with Santa program will be held there on 12/12. The vision for this space is to provide several different programs for kids under the direction of COVID safe guidelines. It is a large space with approximately 4000 sq ft.**

**COVID fund: There are some funds available. This fund has helped a few different families in need.**

**Fireman's Toy Drive: The North Hampton Fire Department is accepting toys for needy children currently.**

**Santa's Mailbox: The new red mailbox is in front of the Town Hall so parents can drop off the letters their children write to Santa. They will in turn receive a letter from Santa and a goodie bag when they go for their scheduled visit on 12/12. Parents should have their letters delivered no later than 12/6, so there is time for Santa to respond. Even if a child doesn't write a letter to Santa they will be still be able to see him that day. Santa will be behind a glass door due to COVID restrictions and guidelines.**

**Ice Rink:**

**Currently on hold for more information and waiting to be determined. The cost and logistics will be evaluated for pros and cons. Knowles Field appears to be a viable option because it is flat and has a lot of space. There is a fence around the field and the irrigation system would not be affected. It is costly due to the liner which could cost up to 2000.00 and lights which could potentially cost 1000.00 monthly. Corporate donations would be helpful and perhaps a go fund me page as well.**

**Seniors:**

**Joe delivered on Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup> Joe's famous turkey dinners to seniors who had signed up to receive the meals. In lieu of the annual Town Hall Thanksgiving lunch it was felt this was the best way to keep the tradition going. There was an anonymous and generous donor that provided a free dinner for the seniors.**

**Ski Program:**

**There is not going to be a ski program as in the past year. The Recreation Department will offer reduced cost ski passes for kids and families at Gunstock and for the best rate of 169.00 for a mid-week pass and 299.00 for a winter prime pass, registration should be no later than 12/7. There will be no transportation available. It is advised to check the requirements set forth by Gunstock.**

**E Sports programs: This program will be a league that players will be able to access from home. There will be a variety of games to play and a chance to compete with other kids in town and as well as other kids from surrounding towns. There is more information to be posted on the Recreation website.**

**Marty made a motion to adjourn at 6:52, seconded by Dale and agreed upon by all.**