

NORTH HAMPTON RECREATION COMMMSSION MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 2019

In attendance: Willow Foley, Wally Kilgore, Marty Tavitian, Joe Manzi, Danielle Strater, Jane Morse

Meeting was called to order by Marty Tavitian at 6 PM

Citizen's comments: none

Marty Tavitian made a motion to accept the June meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Wally Kilgore and accepted by all present.

Member update: Willow Foley was sworn in today by Sue Buchanan.

NHYA update from Danielle Strater:

Items found in the shed at Knowles Field were hot dog cooker, 2 refrigerators and a steamer, all of which could be available for a future fundraiser.

5800.00 will be needed for a new irrigation system and applications for donations will be sought.

Soccer registrations closed last weekend. 50 kids in pre-K through grade have registered so far with a travel team as well for the older kids. M and Y and Donut Love have sponsored the younger children.

Men's soccer team will help with lines on the field.

September 7th is opening day for soccer.

Summer program re-cap:

Joe will send a survey to all participants to assess their feedback on the program. There was an 89% increase in participation. In 2015 there 28 kids and 53 this summer who enjoyed the summer program.

There were changes made to the adult coed softball that received excellent feedback. Joe expressed that he would like to see more resident participation as only 50% of the teams were from North Hampton. There were 79 people from 5 towns who were part of the coed program. Danielle suggested that NHYA could have a table at baseball in the spring to inform and recruit potential players from town.

Old Home Day review:

It was felt that the day was well attended although at school attendance dropped off by 11:30 The dunk tank was a big hit. The ice cream truck had challenges becoming operational and Betty's Kitchen food truck reported disappointing revenue. Danielle was thanked for her outstanding face painting job. The cookie bake off had 7 entries and was well received. Wally made a suggestion that the day be moved to June the weekend after school recesses to increase attendance. Also, Dearborn Park may be a better location for most of the activities. Parking is a concern. Including Centennial Hall in more activities was also discussed. There will be more discussion on this next month.

After school program:

There will be a maximum of 55 children in the program and so far 49 have signed up. Staff includes paid high school students

Fun Raiser plan:

Events should be planned quarterly to maximize funds raised that will support special events throughout the year and scholarships for summer camp participants. There is a lengthy form to be used to determine the extent of need of each student.

Suggestions made for the fun raiser were:

Corn hole tourney with venues such as Throwback Brewery, Sagamore Golf, Smuttynose, Bernies or Airfield Café or the gym at the school.

Town wide yard sale

Bowl-a-Rama bowling tourney

Car washing day

Comedy night

More discussion will follow next month

The Ski Club will be on the agenda for next month .

A motion to adjourn was made by Willow Foley and seconded by Jane Morse. Meeting adjourned at 7:25.