# Recreation Committee Minutes September 8, 2016

<u>Attendance:</u> Carl Dubois

Dave Yates
Bob Iannaco
Sue LaRoche
Jeremy Drown
Sean O'Neil
Tris Wallace

Excused – Selectman Roger Coutu, Chairman Keith Bowen

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:34PM WITH PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

# **MINUTES**

Meeting minutes for May 2016 provided by Chrissy Peterson

√ May 2016 Meeting minutes pass

**Public Input** 

None

**Report of Officers** 

None

# Report of Sub Committees

- Future Project Sub Committee
  - Nothing to report at this time
- Softball Sub Committee
  - ➤ Held first meeting in May. Made some changes for the 2016 season.
- After School Sub Committee
  - > Nothing to report at this time.

# **Director's Report**

## 5th & 6th Grade Dance -

• Planning a dance for September – October time frame

# Comedy Show-

• Planning one for early November

#### Senior Center-

- Annual cookout was held on 8/25 at the Community Center. It was a Luau theme. Lori did a great job organizing and decorating the room.
- 243 attended
- A lot of trips at the Senior Center coming up. Volunteer Lucille Boucher has been helping Lori with the trip scheduling

### Basketball -

• Registration begins this month. I and Chrissy will be hosting two Thursday nights at the Recreation Center and one Saturday signup at the soccer field. Walk-in registration is open during our office hours.

#### Lacrosse -

• Lacrosse Report provided in New Business

## Daddy Daughter Dance

• Due to the popularity we held two back to back nights this year. Chrissy worked hard on the concept. We had 500 people attend the Candy land Sweet Moments, themed event. The Community Center was decorated from the floor to the ceiling with the theme. Both nights ran very smooth

## Softball

• Softball Report Provided in New Business

#### Soccer

- Season begins this Saturday, 9/10/16. Little Sweepers begins on 9/17/16.
- We held our first early registration this year in May. The goal was to cut to the amount of late signups down which it did.

### Correspondence

None

#### **Old Business**

## Hudson Recreation Department's Scholarship Fund

• The two \$500 Scholarships were presented to Tana Tufts and Erin Ruigrok at the AHS Award night in June held at the Community Center.

# YMCA After School Program

• The program is not ready to start yet. There was not enough funding for it to begin. We will need to touch base with the YMCA and Keith Bowen to find out the new goal date.

# Freedom Field II Update

• Busy trying to get the ball moving on the field. Director has met with the town engineer a few times, walked the property, and received an itemized breakdown of the estimated cost. It came up higher than expected, \$243,000. Currently we are at \$180,000 so it was suggested to build the field in two phases.

• Currently Hudson United is locked into a lease for Freedom Field I and Freedom Field II and gave the director a verbal commitment to give up the rights to Freedom Field II. A letter followed the verbal promise with commitments HUSC wanted the town to promise them. Dave Yates spoke to Steve Towle from HUSC and it seemed that they were hesitant to give up the rights to the field in fear that they will lose the usage of Freedom Field I.. Phone calls continued involving Dave Yates explaining that in good faith, HUSC will still be able to use Freedom Field I. Steve Malizia contacted the town lawyer to have a letter drafted up and get this resolved. However the holdup right now on the field is on HUSC's end.

#### **New Business**

## Lacrosse Report -

Report provided by Chrissy Peterson who was the lacrosse Coordinator. She did a great job running the program and dealing with NHYLA which is a lot of work. In the report she explains that the costs to play have increased. NHYLA, the umbrella out league is under, increased the team entry fees and the fees for officials., the rental fee for PMA, and the indoor rental fee at the NH Sportsplex. The league purchased new uniforms this year that the players looked great in. Six out of 7 coaches were returning this year. The teams all did very well this year. It's clear the program is blooming.

#### Softball -

No issues this season. It seems to be the smoothest season thus far. Mobil won the Championship. The women's league also did well this year.

## Summer Program

Frank did a great job again this year running the program. There were 451 children registered in the program. The first couple of days the attendance was very high making Frank realize that we need to hire more counselors. The program is extremely popular. I'd like to thank Frank for a great job again.

#### **Election of Officers**

None

**Other Business** 

None

Meeting adjourned at 7:24pm

Respectfully submitted,

Chrissy Peterson

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