

Town of Deerfield
Parks & Recreation Commission Minutes
April 10, 2012

Call to Order

06:12: by Chairman Dwight Barnes

Present

Committee Members: Dwight Barnes, Julie DeCosta, Jeff Shute, Melissa Robertson, *Parks & Rec Director:* Joe Manzi

Citizen's Comments

N/A

Minutes

N/A (no meeting in March due to lack of a quorum)

Finances

- Revolving account spreadsheet reviewed.

Recreation Sports Programs-New Mission Statement/Values

Joe discussed some issues revolving sportsmanship in the recreation programs that needed to be addressed. New mission statement, values documented and will be communicated to coaches, players, and parents.

Joe Stone Good Sport Scholarship

- Fund is low now but the Tim Sample fundraiser in October will cover the scholarship(s).
- New deadline for application of May 15, 2012
- Julie DeCosta has communicated with Concord High School who has added this scholarship to their webpage for seniors.
- Julie will submit notification to the Forum. May be too late for the Communicator but will try to see if they can squeeze it in.

Tim Sample Performance October 27th

- We need to schedule a separate meeting soon to conduct planning
- Will ask for community volunteers to help with publicity, tickets, set-up, programs, seating, advertising
- Tim is performing at the Rochester Opera House in April if anyone is interested in attending

Old Home Day (OHD)

- Confirmed that OHD will not have a parade this year. No one from the community has come forward to voice support or offer to help with this event.
- Parks & Rec will host the barbeque, concert, fireworks and ice cream at the fireworks (pending approval of the Fairgrounds).

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- No road race, bike race, kid games, bingo due to lack of community interest/support at this time.
- Melissa Robertson will check with the Fair to see about sponsoring the fireworks and permitting Parks & rec to sell ice cream during the fireworks.

Membership Vacancy

- There may be a vacancy on the Parks & Recreation Commission. Dwight will follow-up on this.

Program Review

- Summer Camp- Joe discussed baseball/softball, theater, football/flag football and soccer camps to be held during the camp day, permitting campers to attend these camps along with the day camp.
- ½ day summer camp is \$60 per week
- Full day summer camp is \$100 per week
- The sports camps will be part of the summer camp
- Joe is in search of a passenger van which will be a great help with transportation for the summer camp (Veasey Park) as well as for the Senior program.
- Joe is in search of a shed for the Hartford Brook fields. Jeff Shute mentioned a possible contact for a shed through his work newsletter. He will follow-up with a phone call to obtain more information.
- Baseball/softball opening ceremony will be April 29th at Bicentennial. Jeff Shute has been asked to throw out the first pitch.

Hoop Classic

- 9th year of the basketball tournament
- Tournament went well with lots of praise from participants.
- Dwight attended on several occasions and said the tournament was well received

Other

- Julie mentioned a suggestion from a community member about adding more arts & crafts to the summer camp. Joe has plans to do this.

Meeting Ended 7:45 PM

Next Meeting Wednesday, May 8th at 6 PM (GB White Building). *Julie DeCosta*
(Acting Clerk)