Town of Lee Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes for 4/03/2018

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm. In attendance were Mike Vardaro, Larry Kindberg, Annette Brown, Cynthia Mclain, Geof Carlton, Brian Cisneros and Selectman Brown. Since James Lonano could not attend, Annette Brown took the minutes.

Public Comments: The Easter Egg Hunt was a huge success thanks in a large part to the efforts of Cynthia McClain. Thank you so much Cynthia.

Treasurer's Report:

As of January 31, 2018 the Revolving Recreation Account contains \$3818.67 The Budget balance is \$5386.25. That amount will change once the deposit to FunFlicks is reflected.

Old Business:

Movie Night

James Lonano was not in attendance and will present movie selections at the next meeting. On the Rec Commission's behalf, the Town Administrator was kind enough to make the deposit to Fun Flicks for the use of the screen on June 23rd.

Music In The Park

Mike Vardaro has lined up eight bands and will check with them as to whether any of them require contracts. Any contracts would have to be made through the town.

The tentative line up and sample fees are:

7 Jun Brin Banta	\$200.00
14 Jun Soulation Station	\$250.00
21 Jun Bliss	\$300.00
28 Jun Dave of Gerard Truffle	\$200.00
12 July Mike Morris	\$300.00
19 July Kevin Burt	\$200.00
26 Jul Jerry Short	\$300.00
2 Aug Ray Calabro	\$250.00

There is enough in the Revolving Account to cover these fees if the Committee decides to move forward.

Banners: Annette Brown will pick up The Fishing Derby and the Model Rocket Day Banners on Friday.

Brochures: The estimated costs for trifold brochures: 1000 for \$304.00 and 2500 for \$420.00. Since the trail maps from the Conservation Commission are not yet ready, there was no vote on obtaining brochures.

Fishing Derby: Cynthia McClain has everything in good order for the Derby. This year there will be 4 tagged fish for dollar prizes. The first child to catch a tagged fish will receive \$100.00. The second will receive \$75.00 and the third and fourth will receive \$50.00 each.

Annette was tasked with asking the Library about a loan of a sandwich board to display in front of the Stevens farm and at LRP.

New Business:

Geoff Carlton with Maximum Velocity FC asked the board whether The Recreation Commission could in any way help with the new use fees for the fields. For example, last year the use fee for Stevens Field was \$25.00 for a one time use and now it is \$25.00 per hour. Geoff stressed that it was not his desire to pay nothing for the use of the fields. He asked whether the Rec Commission had the authority to allow Maximum Velocity to pay the 2017 fee rate for using the various fields. Since it doesn't appear that it is possible for the Rec Commission to grant a concession, Annette Brown asked the fellow members of the Rec Commission whether we could help by bringing Maximum Velocity under the umbrella of the Rec Commission much as we did for the Men's Basketball League. Right now, there are 15 children from Lee participating in the Maximum Velocity program. Geoff shared part of his philosophy regarding dealing with children. He believes that children are, in his own words, over coached and that Maximum Velocity provides a structured yet less stressful environment for the kids to learn about and play the game of soccer. The group has been permitted to use Stevens Field in the past and has tried to be good citizens by keeping the fields clean and limed. The group has provided the soccer nets that are there now as well. Mr. Carlton would also be willing to be available for pick up soccer games at LRP should we so desire. Maximum Velocity is a registered non-profit association in Lee. They have their own insurance and provided the Rec Commission with all the paperwork showing that they were indeed a non-profit. Geoff was a member of the Rec Commission a number of years ago and shared some of his considerable knowledge about the history and construction of Little River Park. Mr. Cisneros attended the meeting as a character reference for Mr. Carlton.

Annette Brown motioned that the Recreation Commission bring Maximum Velocity FC under the umbrella of the Recreation Commission. Mike Vardaro seconded the motion with Larry Kindberg assenting.

Selectman Brown entered the room just after the vote was taken. Larry asked Mr. Brown's advice as to whether this request needed to go before the Select Board. Mr. Brown thought it best to bring it to the BOS. Larry will arrange for that to be put on the agenda at a time convenient to all concerned. Annette cannot be there on the 9th.

Drones:

Mr. Brown reported that he had not as yet had the opportunity to meet with anyone regarding putting together a Drone day. Geoff suggested that the Robotics Department at the schools would be the best starting place.

Annette Brown motioned that the meeting be adjourned. Mike Vardaro seconded the motion with Larry Kindberg assenting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Sincerely submitted,

Annette Brown for James Lonano