

NORTH HAMPTON RECREATION COMMISSION MONTHLY MEETING 1/17/06

In Attendance: Sandy Dewing, Seth Hickey, Susan Beattie, Guil Spencer, Brenda Worrell, Diane Wheeler, Sharon Hart

Reviewed Expiring Terms of present Commission members:

- Seth, Guil & Sarah were asked to write letters regarding their intentions to continue service on the Commission

Minutes from 12/05/05 approved

Winter Carnival Detailed by Rec Director, Diane

- Similar to the Amazing Race and called the Great American Urban Challenge to be held on Feb. 18th with Hampton Recreation.
- This is a timed relay medley encompassing 6 family teams at each of 5 locations. The Race starts at base, Harley Davidson and participants compete on many levels (solving riddles, and completing timed physical, mental and team challenges) before they can move on to their next locations to complete further challenges.
- North Hampton piece is complete and Diane is partnering with Hampton Rec. to finalize plans for their participation.
- Sharon Hart will write PR teasers for local media

February Vacation Programs Overviewed:

- Coates Hoop (MTW)
- Ski on Thursday at Gunstock (and tubing)
- Hollodek (Gaming Place) in Hampton on Friday (\$17= 4 hours of games, 2 slices of pizza & refreshments)
- Diane needs volunteers to help out with supervision

Spring/Summer Programs in Works:

- Adult co-ed dodgeball w/Hampton; Chess; Creative Dance; Little Nippers Soccer; Piano and archery. Also in works: Mystery Theater, dinner theater; Improv classes
- PAL has offered to pay for after school homework club—donating fees \$1500/year \$40 for 16 meetings
- Susan Beattie shared that her future employer, North Hampton resident, Paul Aldridge, donated 10,000 candles from his business, Village Candle, for use by Town Rec
- Any requests/ideas for future programs can be shared with Diane/Commission
- Brenda requested an internet information and overview class to help educate and indoctrinate parents of teens about how the various systems work, the lingo and what's what in the on-line world in an effort to keep their kids safe

Review of Town Hall work:

- Floor is currently being lifted and braced to meet code. Storage facility; NHYA meetings

- Sharon will write letter detailing use intention of Town Hall for Recreation activities—will send to group for approval at next meeting. Department plans to hold such activities as archery; bridge; theater arts, kindermusik; movie nights; bingo (toddler to seniors); wrestling; Ballroom dancing for couples (still working on a few more people needed).

Can Do Sidewalk Kids:

- Diane met with Dr. Breen, 7th graders to overview project
- (1/24: 6:30-8pm) public forum on warrant articles and budget to be held which will further detail direction and goals of project
- Sandy informed Commission members that sidewalks, bike paths and crossings for Atlantic fell under Recreation jurisdiction as outlined in the Visioning Forum Committees issues and concerns. He volunteered to draft a letter to selectman in support of these measures on behalf of the Commission.

Summer Programs:

- Morning as well as all day sessions for summer rec camp
- Little Nippers summer rec camp for preschoolers: MWF from 9-11:30