

Town of Old Orchard Beach Ballpark Commission
Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2013

Election of Officers:

*** Voted and accepted**

Nomination by Robin Dube for **Jerome Plante – Chair**

Nomination by Jerome Plante for **Robin Dube – Vice Chair**

Nomination by Deb Kulacz for **Kelly Roy – Secretary**

New Business:

- Questions about the location of chair name plaques
- What the goals are of the commission
- Commission would like a monthly report from Tom LaChance
- Status on keys to the facility
- Who is responsible for scheduling
- List of Tom LaChance's responsibilities

Raging Tide 2013 Season Update:

-Handout given by Mr. Galos describing the Raging Tide Status, followed by discussion

- Work requested for the shower in office "1", where there is dead-end piping
- Secure back door on the concession stand, safety issue, but ensure unlocked during business hours
- Mosquito treatment of the pond has not been done
- Cleanout merchandise stand and remove junk
- Lots of trash behind the outfield fence
- Latches on small gates from stands to playing field near the dugouts, where children can fall through these and some have sharp edges
- The question was raised about a \$5,000.00 security deposit
- Request was made for the Ballpark to have its own storage shed on site
- Discussion with Jim Doran about issues he raised when he was employed last season

Adjournment

Raging Tide

2013 Season Status Update

1. Fix the water in remaining parts of the clubhouse.
 - a. Umpire dressing area with toilet, sink, & shower
 - b. Bathrooms off Large Conference Room
 - c. Sink off Large Conference Room
 - d. Shower in Office 1 -
2. Install missing doors on toilet areas
3. United Way Cleanup before June 1st, our schedule at this point looks like June 3-6 for first game
4. Skyboxes need to be upgraded (fixed up or replaced with "Luxury Boxes").
5. Al Lappin is again prepared to mow behind the fence this year to support **OPENING DAY FIREWORKS**. We are contracting with the same vendor from last year. Hopefully this year the weather will be kinder to us and the Portland Press Herald won't publish that our game has been cancelled.
6. Last year's concession stand inspection stated that there were a few things that needed to be done in the Concession Stand:
 - a. Emergency Lights and Exit Signs
 - b. Cover all Receptacles
 - c. Make sure all Freezers and Refrigerators are on Dedicated Circuits.
7. We have both a State Inspection Certificate and a Cert-Safe employee on our staff as required by the State of Maine. I don't believe that the Town meets either of these requirements.
8. Was the field Winter fertilization completed in the Fall?
9. Mosquito treatment of pond?
10. Clean out (or rebuild) Merchandise Stand to accommodate 2 windows
 - a. One for Merchandise Sales
 - b. One for Beer Sales
11. Work with us to make sure the Town Council approves Beer in the Stands

12. Lots of trash behind the fence that should be removed. Build up of 20 years!
13. Latches on small gates from stands to playing field near the dugouts. Children can easily fall through these.
14. Railing/Fence in front of dugouts (Safety of players and bat boys/girls)
15. Expansion of Turcott Patio to accommodate stairs into the grand stand area
16. More handicap accessible seating space
17. FCBL Schedule in process NOW. Last meeting I asked for Blackout Dates, met with Dana and contacted Tom LeChance Bob Moody, and OOB365. The only date identified by anyone was for the BBQ Festival on June 21, 22, & 23.
18. Game time for home games will mostly be 7:00 PM
19. Previously asked about the use of the Ballpark/Ocean picture. Town has granted the Raging Tide permission to use the picture.
20. Want to request the 3rd year of the contract, but need to work out a few things for the current year and the 3rd year:
 - a. Concession sales at Raging Tide Games in August
 - b. No turn styles will be used, ticket entry will be controlled by barcode scanning
 - c. The need for a Security Deposit
21. I still have not received a copy of the Pepsi contract. Need this to understand what energy drink products we can offer for sale. FCBL wants to have a league wide sponsor and not being able to offer the product in OOB will result in a significant loss of revenue for our team.
22. Beer in the stands
 - a. Last year beer did not provide a profit for the team, in fact barely paid for the effort of having beer.
 - b. Identify legal age drinkers by colored wrist bands
 - c. Allow people to sit with their families
 - d. Limit beer purchases to two beers per person
 - e. Limit total beer purchase to any one person
23. We will have the same grounds crew working for the 2013 season as we had last year. Last summer these were Town employees and we were allowed to store our grounds supplies in the Town shed, separated from the Town supplies and clearly marked. We were also allowed to use the Town grounds keeping tools and tractor to maintain the field. We would like to continue to have permission to use Town storage space, tools, and tractor for the 2013 season.
24. Season Tickets are Available and on Sale.
25. And lastly, for anyone wishing to purchase their Season Ticket tonight, I have some with me.