

Swampscott Recreation Commission
February 3, 2016; Town Hall, 1st Floor

Minutes

Present:

Danielle Strauss, Recreation Director
Mary Webster, At Large
Joan Ferraro, Precinct 3
Janell Cameron, Precinct 2
Lyudmila Sutherland, Precinct 4
Melissa Caplan, Precinct 6
Brian Sutherland, interested member
Katie Katzman, interested member

Absent:

Laura Spathanas, Selectmen Liaison

Meeting began and ran with a quorum.

- ❖ Minutes for meetings on 9/14/2015 and 10/5/2015 were reviewed and approved.
- ❖ Road Races- Danielle discussed the upcoming preparations for the road races, which are sponsored and aided with organization by BNS Fitness. BNS Fitness will provide T-Shirts, advertising, timers, food donations, swag bag, and water stops for both races. BNS Fitness will be collecting proceeds to help cover cost of the races and any remaining proceeds will be used as a fundraiser for the summer events by the recreation department.
 - Kids' Road Race
 - Will take place on April 29, 2016
 - Will be 1 mile long
 - Route and location for start and end points were discussed
 - It will start and end at Lindscott Park
 - Safety concerns and placement of volunteers and potential police detail were discussed
 - Race will be followed by an ice cream social provided by BNS Fitness
 - Adult Road Race
 - Will take place on April 30, 2016
 - Will be a 5K
 - Will need volunteers for the race
 - Different themes were discussed by the members. Mary will contact rep from Harpoon and will ask if they want to sell their beer for end of race festivities. If Harpoon declines, other option is Bentwater Brewing Company in Lynn.
- ❖ Harbor Festival –Saturday, June 25th, 2016
 - Danielle discussed the preparations and planned events for the all-day festival. Some of the festivities and events include:
 - Yacht club blessing of the fleet
 - Regatta

- Fishing tournament
- Kayak race
- Paddle board race
- Sand castle building contest
- Bonfire?
- ❖ 4th of July events
 - Planned for Sunday, June 26th, 2016
 - Parade
 - Strawberry Festival
- ❖ Easter Egg Hunt –March 26th, 2016
 - Start at 12:00pm
 - Members to meet at Town Hall Lawn for setup at 11:00am.
 - Janell will be returning as the Easter Bunny
- ❖ Turf Field Update
 - Danielle discussed the progress of the 8 people committee working to supervise the planning of the construction of the turf field.
 - Estimate is 6 months for the construction project.
 - Next step is to hire the designer, who will also act as a project manager.
 - Current plan is to start construction in July, 2016 or it may be postponed until Spring, 2017.

Next meeting is Monday, March 7th, 2016 at 7pm at Town Hall

Meeting was adjourned.

Minutes by Lyuda Sutherland