

REC COM MEETING MINUTES FROM 01/06/11

Attendees: Paul, Dave, Tim, Mary

Meeting started at 7:07 pm in Memorial School Conference room

*Mike Penko and Marcella Stasa came to the meeting to present some details on the Sweetwilliam Farm proposal going before the town on 1/11/11 meeting. Mike presented a copy of the presentation they were going to make at Town Meeting and provided details on funding, CPA impact, etc.

*Mike also wanted to know if there were any changes to our 5-7 year Master Plan as he will be updating that document over the next couple of weeks. All agreed that formation of field sub-committee would be worthwhile to pursue.

*After Marcella/Mike were finished and left the meeting, Dave made motion to accept the minutes from the December meeting. Seconded by Paul and motion passed by majority.

*Mary provided updates on all active programs including: Yoga (new session started with classes of 15 and 23 students), Theater (new session is full and 4 applicants had to be turned away), Boot Camp (starts 1/7 at Town Hall), MVP (6 registered for winter session), Volleyball (adults have 9-16/week and youth usually 8-10), Zumba (starts week of 1/18 for two classes, which may merge into one), Drama Camp for February vacation week, Adult Hoop (Tuesday "open" has 20-30 attendees and the Thur league is forming teams to start play 1/20). All programs seem to be running very well and Mary has been reviewing additional options for new programs moving forward.

*Carpet for Ramsey Building is being installed soon. Parks is completing removal of old carpet and repair of the sub-flooring. Mary is going to chase down invoice for the new carpet so Dave can take care of that.

*Preliminary planning for Kids@Play 2011 – Mary is going to reach out to Lisa Trussas to see if she is interested in getting involved now that she is moving back to the area. Still considering possibility of "Adventure Program" for older kids at Kiwanis and Mary has been staying in touch with Steve D and Scott G on planning for this year's program.

*Ice Rink is now OPEN and Hunter Capabianco will be taking care of maintenance/closing until he returns to college on 1/15/11. Mike/Steve Johnson, who work for Parks Dept in the summer, are two students (one college, one senior Nipmuc) that are interested in taking care of maintenance/closing from 1/15- end of season. Paul/Mary to meet with them and review the procedure as well as confirm their interest in removing snow with our snow blower located in shed.

*Skating Socials are all set for Friday, 1/14 (High School) and Friday, 1/21 (Middle School) – Mary is soliciting adult volunteers and will be setting up two fire pits and benches each week. We agree to hire Tim Snow to "work" the HS Social on 14th and offer **characiture** drawings of kids that attend. He is from

Mendon and contacted Mary with samples and ideas for youth activities that might enjoy his work. Also, Wesley Dumas will be hired to work the Middle School Social on the 21st and will bring music, strobe lights, smoke machine, etc to entertain the kids while they are skating. Rec Com will provide funding for both of these services. Fee to attend the social will be \$5/person and will be used to pay for the maintenance on the rink.

*Disk Golf – is on hold during the winter months but plans should move forward in the spring and more news coming on this.

*Memorial Field update – Huntress Associates has begun work on the specification package and we should have updates for February meeting.

*Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 and next meeting will be February 3rd at Memorial School