

May 7, 2015

Attendance: Linda Cross, Eugene Lavoie, Betsy Fournier, Marka Cheney, Shayne Kirby, Patti Jo Walker, Sara Maguire, Jon Nielson

Absent: Alicia Bourdeau, Joe Raleigh

Guest: Robby Hemmingway, Jeremy Read, Judy Paxman, Faith Dubios, Lenora Pepe

BF open meeting at 6:02 PM on May 7, 2015

Agenda review: Added Thunder Tournament

Last months minutes reviewed: JN motion to approve minutes. MC second. All approved. Motion carries.

~Treasure Position~

Robby Hemmingway interested in position: loves sports, has coached everything, works for the Vermont National Guard (accountability of people and equipment), can coordinate lots of things

-BF explained what position entailed: purchase orders, sign paper work, bills, yearly budget, would need to meet with the Sue Day every 2 weeks

-PJW will train new Treasure

-Selectman have final say on Treasure position, BF will write a letter to them

~Jeremy Read: Little League District Administrator~

- Jericho has expressed interest in hosting 10-11 baseball that we hosted in the past

- Doesn't know yet the number of games it would be (1st year was 3 games, last year was 5 games)

-Looks like 10/11 softball would start July 2 and finish July 10

-This years our district we would host states: 4 team tournament July 18-22

- Next district meeting is May 17th, would need to know by then if we were going to host 10/11 baseball

-He would then work with tournament director with details

-BF expressed that we struggled last year with getting umpers for the games

-PJW we don't know who is going to be the tournament director yet

~Cross Country~

-Renee Atkins has expressed interest in doing it again this year

- SM will contact Jody Chevalier to see if she wants to coach too

-Will start week before school starts like last year, running Saturday mornings and one other week day

-Use the lower fields

-Rec will get t-shirts for participants

~Gymnastics~

-This years gym show will be June 19, 2015, 7Pm

-Linda and SM will coordinate to transport mats

-SM making programs and certificates can be colored printed at the UPS store in St. Albans, BF will set up an account there

~Sunday Soccer~

-Jimmy Hubbard would like to run Sunday 3-6th grade soccer at MVU starting 4 or 5 pm

-Cost \$10-15

- Registration would be done through the rec

-We need dates of when he would start: Shayne going to get this info

-Jimmy thinking of doing a Men's League too

-PJW made a motion to approve Jimmy Hubbard to run a Sunday Soccer program at MVU at a cost of \$10-15 grades 3-6th with 20% of fees going to Swanton Recreation, JN 2nd motion. All approved. Motion carries.

-PJW made a motion for Jimmy Hubbard to run a Men's Soccer League, fee still to be determined, with 20% of the monies going to Swanton Recreation. MC 2nd motion, All approved, Motion Carries

Director's report- (SK)

~Little League~

-Minors/Majors/Farm leagues up and running.

-Little League Fundraisers has started due back June 6th.

-Working on Tball now, SM concerned with Majors on field 3 hitting balls into t-ball fields when they are playing, Shayne is going to not schedule t-ball games will Majors are playing on field 3, will have them on the lower fields or on field 2 if needs to

-Right now has 6 t-ball teams, registration is closed now

-Hoping for games to start May 16th

~Plant Sale~

- JN made a motion to have Heath McAllister sell plants on May 16th at Swanton Recreation from 9am-noon with 20% of sales going to Swanton Recreation. PJW 2nd. All approved. Motion Carries.

~John Lucy from the Methodist Church~

-Would like to use the Rec fields for church actives

-Idea's volleyball, softball, wiffleball, street hockey league

-No fee for actives, ok to use fields but needs to check with rec first to make sure they are not being used

-Shayne is going to have him come to the next board meeting to present his ideas

~Zumba~

-From last meetings minutes the board still wants Shayne to make punch cards, we have card stock here at the Rec, Shayne to review April board minutes for direction with Zumba

~Volleyball/Ultimate Frisbee~

- Move Wednesday Volleyball to outside courts after school ends

-We have 2 nets for our outdoor volleyball courts

-Ok to have pickup games of Ultimate Frisbee or wiffleball on the lower fields at no fee as long as not being used

Swanton Arts Council

Entered meeting at 7:00PM

Presenting: Judy Paxman, Faith Dubios, Lenora Pepe

- They would like to partner with Swanton Recreation
- They have had a group of people who would like to get involved
- Would like the rec to be not just sports but benefit all ages
- The Arts Council has been offered many spaces to use
- They want an artistic present in Swanton that would offer classes and art showings
- People will donate their time or at a cut cost, materials ranging from free to dollars
- Arts Council has no funds right now

- Suggested to have a survey through Swanton Rec of what is the community wants
- BF going to email them list of sources
- PW suggested future punch cards
- Will advertise through the rec
- This year rec doesn't have any specific monies set aside for arts but possible look at next year adding a line item for this
- If the Arts Council would like a donation would need to come with a specific project or proposal that the Recreation could vote on

Field & Maintenance Report- (LC)

- LC to replace field #3 3rd base dugout with a sheet of T1-11 do to rotting from the bottom. Cost \$28.79
- The playground has needed repairs twice this year because of miss use by kids. Some kids are to old to be using it and most of the kids using it do not have adult supervision. There is a sign that children are to be supervised at all times. Linda going to check playground every morning and have Blaine check it every evening
- Water lines for the fields have been repaired and running as of May 4th
- MVU Championship pictures have been delivered, still waiting for 2007 girls ice hockey
- PJW made a motion that when our compact tractor has a running time of around 200 hrs. , Linda will send it to Harvest Equipment for maintenance and check the left front tire that keeps losing air. JN 2nd motion. All approved. Motion carries.
- Have coaches when on field 2 when using hitting screens face away from buildings on Blake Street when hitting
- Shawn Cheney's sign he brought his self, is facing the wrong direction, Linda is going to turn it around, Shayne did let Shawn know that we are not responsible if anything should happen to it

~Budget~ (PJW)

- \$1400 from Smuggs this year
- Little League numbers are very low this year
- Gymnastics is right on track

Closed Session started 8:06 PM

Out of Closed Session at 8:40PM

PJW made a motion to give Blaine Tardy a 25-cent pay increase. JN second. All approved. Motion Carries.

Next meetings-

- Board meeting June 2, 2015 at 6:00PM

BF motion to close meeting at 8:46pm. EL second. All approved. Motion carries.

-Minutes recorded by SM

