

Atkinson Recreation Commission
September Monthly Meeting 6:00 pm
Wednesday, September 5th, 2012

Members Present

Del Dooling
Joan Fettes
Susan Ober
Robin Hernandez

Others Present:

Noriko Yoshida-Travers- Rec Coordinator

Open Regular Meeting:

Chairman Ober opened the September monthly meeting of the Town of Atkinson Recreation Commission at 6:15 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Ms. Fettes made a motion to approve the July monthly meeting minutes. Ms. Dooling seconded the Motion and the Board voted 2/0/0 in favor.

Senior / Recreation Program report:

- Yoshida-Travers reported: 7/17/12 Senior Summer Luncheon was a great success. There were 26 Sun n Fun campers, counselor and assistant director who came to help set up, serve food, clean up, and help seniors any possible ways. Their entertainment was wonderful too.
- Ms. Dooling reported; 8/16/12 Summer concert and Ice cream social.. It was rescheduled from 8/9 due to weather. It went well but needed more publicity. Suggestion; we should ask Atkinson Academy to use their sign outside.
- Yoshida-Travers reported; Red Sox Games. There were 3 tickets unsold 7/19/12 game, which sold at the Fenway Park \$20 each. The tickets on 8/6-game were sold out. We had great weather for both games and they won.
- Mrs. Hernandez reported that there was 1 ticket unsold on 8/21 –game. The trip went well.
- Chairman Ober suggested that we should consider less ticket purchase for 2013 season.
- Yoshida-Travers reported the 5-day Washington DC and Gettysburg trip was cancelled due to lack of interest.

Senior / Recreation Program Upcoming events:

Yoshida-Travers reported;

- Foxwood Casino Day trip 9/13/12
- Senior Pizza Party 9/28/12
- Foliage Trip 10/11/12 Plymouth Harbor Cruise & Lunch at Isaac's.
- Make a Difference Day 10/27/12
- Halloween Party with Salem Senior Center 10/31/12
- "Guys and Dolls" at North Shore Music Theatre & Lunch at Angelica's 11/8/12
- Veterans Breakfast TBD
- Christmas Tree Lighting 11/25/12

Sun n Fun

Yoshida-Travers reported that the program ended on Friday, August 3rd. There was only 1 rain day and 4 early dismissals due to weather. New Older Campers Program had a good start. There are many areas need to be improved, but it was a great start. The new assistant director worked really well with our director and

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assistant director. The counselors worked very well together and did a great job. There were no injuries and only few issues this summer. Our second year director, Eric, handled things very well in all the areas . The older campers helped senior luncheon and they behaved well and worked very hard. Yoshida-Travers reported that the director did the all the counselors and assistant directors evaluations. One of assistant directors did Counselors in training evaluations. Yoshida-Travers is still waiting for the Older Campers Program report from other assistant director. She asked the board that the evaluation should include the recommendations of levels (senior, regular, or junior counselor) and the board suggested not to include the suggestions to the counselors.

Collins Park

- The design proof was approved and waiting for the shipment.
- We are still waiting for the approval of the permit of second driveway.
- The Atkinson Women's Civic Club send us donation of \$900 to purchase a bench. Yoshida-Travers will order 2 benches, one will be paid by the Atkinson Women's Civic Club and Recreation will purchase one. The Recreation also will order one picnic table.
- The soccer leagues teams and a Hampstead Academy team are using upper multi purpose field for their practice time. They should not use the lower field for their practice.
- Yoshida-Travers reported that the Hampstead Academy team has the key to the garage at the Collins Park to store their equipment. After their season is done on 10/18, they will return the key.

Sports Leagues

Chairman Ober reported that the 2 soccer leagues' reps, Ted Stewart and Chairman Ober met at the Woodlock Park Soccer field to see if they could shift those fields but they couldn't due to the significant difference of the ground grades. However they were able to move about 3 yards toward to Baseball field, so that the corner of woods and road area allowed more space for soccer players to do corner kicks.

The sports leagues are requesting that recreation contribute toward the cost of installing 2 chain link sections near the woods so the large soccer goals can be secured on that side of the field.

The Care of Ground crew is fixing one of tires on the soccer goals. If these fences were installed, it would be easier to lock up the goals and less stress to the goals that are getting old. Chairman Ober will follow up the sports league to find out the estimate of the chain-linked fence. Ms. Dooling suggested that if the Recreation budget allowed we should pay for that cost.

Old Business

- Yoshida-Travers reported that the status of the Pump House at Woodlock Park. It is under the Town Administrator, Bill Innes's list to be done. Chairman Ober asked Yoshida-Travers to check again with Mr. Innes.

New Business

Chairman Ober welcomed our new member, Robin Hernandez.

Holly Doherty is interested to join the Recreation Commission. Yoshida-Travers will contact her.

Chairman Ober made a Motion to adjourn the September 2012 meeting of the Town of Atkinson Recreation at 7:15 pm. Ms. Fettes seconded the Motion and the Committee voted 3/0/0 to adjourn.

Our October monthly meeting will be scheduled on Wednesday, October 3rd, 2012 6:00 pm Room 2 at Atkinson Community Center.

Respectfully submitted by Noriko Yoshida-Travers

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