

## Haverhill Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes July 8, 2014

Members in attendance: Lynn Wheeler, Kim Waterhouse, Dianne Rappa, Jo Lacaillade, Barb Dutile Dunn, recreation director: Sherri Sargent

Excused: Dave Robinson

Members of the Public: Ian Fournier

Meeting called to order at 6:10 p.m.

June meeting minute approval: Barb/Kim motion to approve

Public presentation - Ian Fournier – Gaga Pit – Recreation game for the HARP program = Sherri presented to Glenn English, TM & Jo after they attended Copper Cannon Summer Program Day last summer. She explained the overall rules of the game. Sherri had contacted Primex to see about insurance issues – none concerned. Ian asked if we could bring it up again at our Haverhill Recreation Commission meeting after talking to Glenn English about all of this. Ian was willing to present on this topic after Sherri let the board know about this and hence why he is here tonight.

Gaga Pit –location? – behind the Armory where we have the storage unit – garbage concerns – 40'x50' area possibly fenced off? – Timing – end of summer?? Gets all children involved – understand rules – each wall 10' = ~30' across. 2x12x8 – 3 sections – 8 sides. Estimate of \$750 - \$1000. Solicit donations from Budget Lumber, Lowes, Home Depot – Sherri's first research came up with \$450 from Budget Lumber. Questions re: building, timing, installation. Possible alternative using tables - discussed donations for this – how many times can we continue to hit up businesses. Option to have portable pit set up now, take pictures, contact Coventry – discussed having 'portable' pit so could be used at different schools/areas. Overall consensus was that this was a good active game – we can explore future donations – start with the tables and then present to the Selectboard. Storage and set up, take down were the major concerns. Next Selectboard meeting is Monday July 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.

Old Business:

1. RR Park Concert – Conniption Fit - 140 people attended. \$150 sold for food. Fantastic band – good weather, great variety of people. Sherri was contacted by band if they could come back next year. Discussion of alcohol use and having Police Department 'circulate' through the crowd. July 19<sup>th</sup> concert – Stephen Lindholm – 6 – 8 – encourage using the games available in case Stephen does not go the full 2 hours – this IS for the young children and promoted as so. Jo and Lynn will be available (Kim maybe) Friends of Recreation will be contacted for volunteers.
2. A.P. Hill Pool – running well. Have had issues with chlorine pump in kiddie pool – not able to be stabilized. Troubleshooting possible problems. Sherri ordered new chlorinator for the kiddie pool - It is closed now until we can install new pump – (\$300+). Swim Diapers are required and children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Pool lift IS being used – good feedback, photos were posted – thanks to the Town. Suggested to have swim diapers available for sale. Incident while Sherri gone – last year suggested that individual not return. This year she

approached Sherri for a second chance – Sherri expressed she would be on probation this summer. In the log it was mentioned that she had problems again 6 times in a row – Ari asked her to control her verbal comments. She couldn't get her out of pool – police were called to get her out. Report was filed and discussed with LTS Counselor, individual 'banned' from pool.

3. HARP statistics – 53 campers are registered, 20 registered, 28 part time campers – 5 not specified -  $\frac{3}{4}$  are residents. Field Trips – Whales Tale, RR Park, BBQ, Fisher Cats Baseball Game, Copper Canyon Camp, Echo Lake, Upper Valley Stewardship, Hatchland Dairy Farm/Windy Ridge, and Competition Complex are the Summer Field Trips scheduled.
4. Pool Cover Follow Up –Donation to come from private donor specific for the pool cover to be installed before this winter. Discussion of possible public hearing to accept the monies for A.P. Hill Community Pool Income specifically for the cover. The board was requested to research the price for a 40' x 90' pool cover and installation as well as possible security installations to be used over the winter. These prices would be presented at the August Rec meeting. Allen's Pool will be contacted and Jo reviewed the Town policy recommending we would have at least 2 other estimates.

#### New Business:

5. Review of Establishment of Recreation Commission – Lynn presented the Haverhill Community Profile Report from 1996. Copies were made for the commission and will be put into the binder.
6. Election of officers – discussion of gathering new members before elections – Cindy Fagnant mentioned – getting parents of children involved in programs to volunteer for commission. Lynn suggested we look at the lists of participants and do a phonathon – each one reach one.... Postponement of election.

Motion Barb/Kim adjourn at 7:45 p.m.