

HAVERHILL RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

JUNE 5, 2013

Members in attendance: Recreation Director Sherri Sargent, Jo Lacaillade, Dianne Rappa, Kim Waterhouse, Lynn Wheeler, Leslie Ramsay

Members excused: Kurt Davis, Dave Joslin, Barbara Dutile

Members from the public: No one. No need for public discussion.

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

Approval of minutes: Lynn made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Leslie, and passed unanimously.

Old business:

Paddle the boarder: Went well. Dianne was there in the afternoon and she thought there were over 100 people, with 80 or so boats. She had to pick a few boats up at Newbury Crossing because it was so windy and people were exhausted. The Rotary was very happy. There was Irish music playing along the way. Leslie suggested in the future possibly posting signs along the way to let people know where they are and how far they have gone.

Pool: It is painted, filled and looks great. Kiddie pool filter has been replaced. Large pool is running after a leak in storage tank was found and welded. Pool vacuum is running. Lift is there and will be put in next week. Pool staff is hired. CPR training was June 2, 2013. All that's left is basic maintenance. Sherri is getting out information on pool passes. It will be in the Bridge Weekly next week. Water aerobics on July 8, 2013. Dianne thought 6 to 7 weeks, Mondays and Thursdays. Sherri will talk with Ari regarding her swim lesson schedule.

Yard Sale: Weather was not nice but because we were one of the few events inside, it was well attended. We made approximately \$877.00. We did not pick up any of the leftovers from the Senior Center's yard sale as we had plenty of our own stuff.

1st RR Park Concert: Great show. At least 125 people attended. Deposit was \$165.00, with \$148.00 of that coming from concession sales.

HARP: Numbers are good. As of right now Sherri has 18 and she knows of another 6 more. The Newbury program dissolved and she got 4 from there. Sherri will check with Brent Walker on those numbers. Staff has been hired and criminal record checks will be submitted to the State. The program begins June 24, 2013. Brochures at the schools, posted on facebook, on the radio and in newspapers. She had flyers at the yard sale and sent paperwork to surrounding schools.

New business:

Acoustic Music Jam: Sherri sat and had a heart to heart with Pete Stimson as she had heard grumblings that he was not happy with the dance floor, pool tables and the new tables and chairs that we just got. They had discussions about the donation bucket and how to verify what part of that money was for the snack foods Pete, his wife and a few other members provide and what part was for the use of the facility. Since there was no way to distinguish between them Sherri put out clearly marked jars at the next jam session. This did not go over well and Pete made the announcement that Haverhill Rec wanted to do these concerts themselves and that he was no longer going to be involved. Sherri tried several times to talk to him over the phone and once she finally got through to him he said he was not happy with the rules and, ultimately, that he could not work for free. Although these sessions tend to quiet down in the summertime, Sherri will be at the next two scheduled ones, June 8th and the 23rd, and see if anyone shows up to play. Currently, Sherri is looking for someone to take over: to open up the doors and set up. To avoid any problems like this in the future, everything will need to be laid out in a contract

Open House for A.P. Hill Pool: Open House is scheduled for June 23, 2013 from 12:00 to 6:00 p.m. Cooking from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Feed first 100 people. Kim and Samantha will be there at 11:30 a.m. to help and Dianne might be there as well.

RR Park Concert: Next concert is the Michael Vincent Band scheduled for June 22, 2013 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Jo can't be there in time to set up but will be at the concert to help. Lynn can also help at the concert and Dianne will be there at 5:00 p.m. to help Sherri set up.

Dianne wanted to remind everyone before the meeting adjourned that this was Walk NH Week (June 1st through the 7th). She urged everyone to go on the website, walknh.org, and she explained to us what the 90 mile challenge consisted of.

Dianne then asked about a community garden. Sherri said Deb English was working on a flower garden and she wanted to see what kind of a commitment she got from the HARP kids before she thought about a vegetable garden. Dianne mentioned that lots of towns have put in gardens and we should look into doing that next year.

Dianne also wanted included in these minutes how good the pool looked. She liked the iron benches out front and also thought the outside shower was a great addition. She thought that cutting the branches along the fence line and hanging the signs on that side rather than where they were last year was so much better.

Adjournment: Dianne made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Lynn. All members voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Next meeting date: Was scheduled for July 3, 2013 but all members present thought, with the holiday, the meeting should be changed to **July 10, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.**

Minutes transcribed by Kim Waterhouse.