

Haverhill Recreation Department
2975 Dartmouth College Highway
North Haverhill, NH 03774

Meeting Minutes
September 5th 2018

Members in attendance: Jennifer West, Sherri Sargent, Lynne Wheeler, Barb Dutile, Sandi Howe, Paula Cilbrith, Fred Garafalo and Sam Catterall

Members excused: Angela Clifford
Meeting called to order: 6:00 pm
Approval of minutes: Jennifer 1st, Sandi 2nd
Open time for public Discussion:

Tom Charlton
District Executive- Sunapee
Boy Scouts of America

Tom came to the office two weeks ago and was interested in a Charter Organization. At this meeting he wants to discuss the big gap from Littleton to Sunapee. The commission would have an option to be a chartered organization. We would have oversight of the Program and it can be made available to young ladies as well. The girls would form their own den and could do things jointly as well as on their own. If the commission feels they want to start one, Tom will help.

Tom also met with Tom Friel.

Barb and Lynn were big Boy Scout leaders and they feel that the attendance fell down and no kids wanted to attend anymore. Tom will provide all the information and training for new leaders. There are recruiting materials for adults as well. There is always a lack of parent involvement. Retired folks know the value of the club and will reach out to Tom for further discussions.

Directors Report

An apology was given to the commission for the absence of Sherri Sargent at the August meeting.

- Teen night pool parties were held on July 20th and August 17th. These events were held at the A.P. Hill Pool and were well attended. \$305 and \$215 were raised at the door and concessions brought in \$142.50 and \$98. Our next Teen night will be September 21st at the Clifford Memorial Building. Volunteers are always encouraged and welcome!
- We are watching the pool water loss and the leak may be below the skimmers.
- There are handouts available for Revenue and expenditures. Overall the season was a good one. A work order has been filled out for the pool cover to be installed. Rich needs anchors and they have been ordered.

- Funds from Diane Rappas Aqua Aerobics has not been turned in but Diane did phone to say she has \$515.00.
 - We will be losing many staff members in 2019.
 - The water has not been shut off yet. We need to see the latest Water Bill. They did a reading in August. The sewer bill will be going up as well.
 - HARP revenue and expenditures are available.
 - We had many new first-time campers at HARP which caused an increase in staffing needs. We will be losing many staff members in 2019 Parents have asked about summer programs for their teenagers who have aged out of HARP
 - Elsa Belarsky is local and has her WSI so we can possibly use her next year for HARP
 - We need to look at the budget for Lifeguards and Camp Counselors and possibly raise the hourly to compete with local businesses.
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- Open Mic Night was held on August 18th from 5pm-8pm
 - We had musician Rick Clogston on stage and he provided his equipment
 - There were 10 local musicians who participated. There were Bagpipes, grunge band, yodeling, and music jams.

Acoustic Music Jams

- Have been held twice per month since our last meeting and have been well attended. \$255 generated in the month of July and \$323 in August.

British Soccer

- This is our 5th year hosting this event and we had approximately 40 children attend. This number is up from last year. We had at least 30 preschool children at this camp. Revenue for sponsoring the program has not arrived yet.

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HELP

- The Haverhill Extended Learning Program begins September 10th. Sherri will be volunteering her time on Thursdays doing a cooking class the first semester and will also be volunteering the last semester. This is in lieu of bus funding for our summer HARP program
- Seniors Drums Alive class has started at the Horse Meadow Senior Center and will run once per week. Sherri currently has 17 members and a waiting list has started.
- Senior stretch, evening drums alive classes and preschool classes are starting soon at the JRM building.
- We are gearing up for Youth Soccer which will begin September 16th. This will run for 4 consecutive weeks. We need to see how many kids signed up for Youth Soccer. John Rutherford also has a youth soccer group as well.
- The Pike Fall Festival is coming up on September 29th and again this year Sherri will be there to set up games for participants. This is a rain or shine event

- The Turkey Plunge will be held on November 18th. Save the date as we would love to have a strong showing from our employees, friends, neighbors and possibly our Select board. Forms will be out at the next meeting.
- Sherri did reach out to the Woodsville Precinct Commissioners and have obtained permission to put the Ice Rink on the Community Field again this winter. We will have to be careful as to where we place it as the request was to keep one set of basketball hoops available

Kaboom

- Mr. Steigler saw Sandi Howe and gave her \$10 because he had to back out of the yard sale
- Over 1.000 extra people were in the town of North Haverhill over the weekend.
- John Boudreault is donating all of his sales from the yard sale to the Rec Commission. Rich picked up items to go to the Penny Sale
- Many people didn't pay their \$10 to set up for this yard sale.
Monies we did receive: donations-\$60.00, Maps- \$155.00, Yard Sale-\$262.00= \$477. We received extra donations so the total was \$527.00
- We need more police presence next year as well as pedestrian signs. We will hold this event every year.
- Food Truck Festival is set for June 1, 2019

New Business

Fit Club Program

- Sherri was approached by Gretchen Castaldi regarding A Fit Club. She is a Certified Personal Trainer and Fitness and Nutrition Specialist. She would like to use our facility to have a club where she would educate people on dietary needs. This would be for people who aren't quite ready for Abby's Boot Camp.
- She has her own insurance and would charge people by donations. This donation would come back to the Rec Commission.
- She is also a Beach Body instructor.
- Sherri met with the Town Manager who expressed mixed emotions and does not want to step on the toes of Abby's or Gary's.
- Sherri talked to the Town Manager about taking her on as a sub-contractor at the Clifford Building to utilize the space and she would charge \$5 per person per class.
- She would discuss nutrition and weight training. This is a great way to increase programming for Haverhill Rec.

We all agree about starting the Fit Club and Sherri will proceed with all Yays

RR Park

- Concert on 9/8/18 to end the season

Budget

- Sherri is working on the budget and would like it in early this year.
- Kaboom Grant will be added to show Rec Commission
- Solar Heating pads for the pool to allow it to open early and close later

: Adjournment: 7:20

Minutes: Jennifer West